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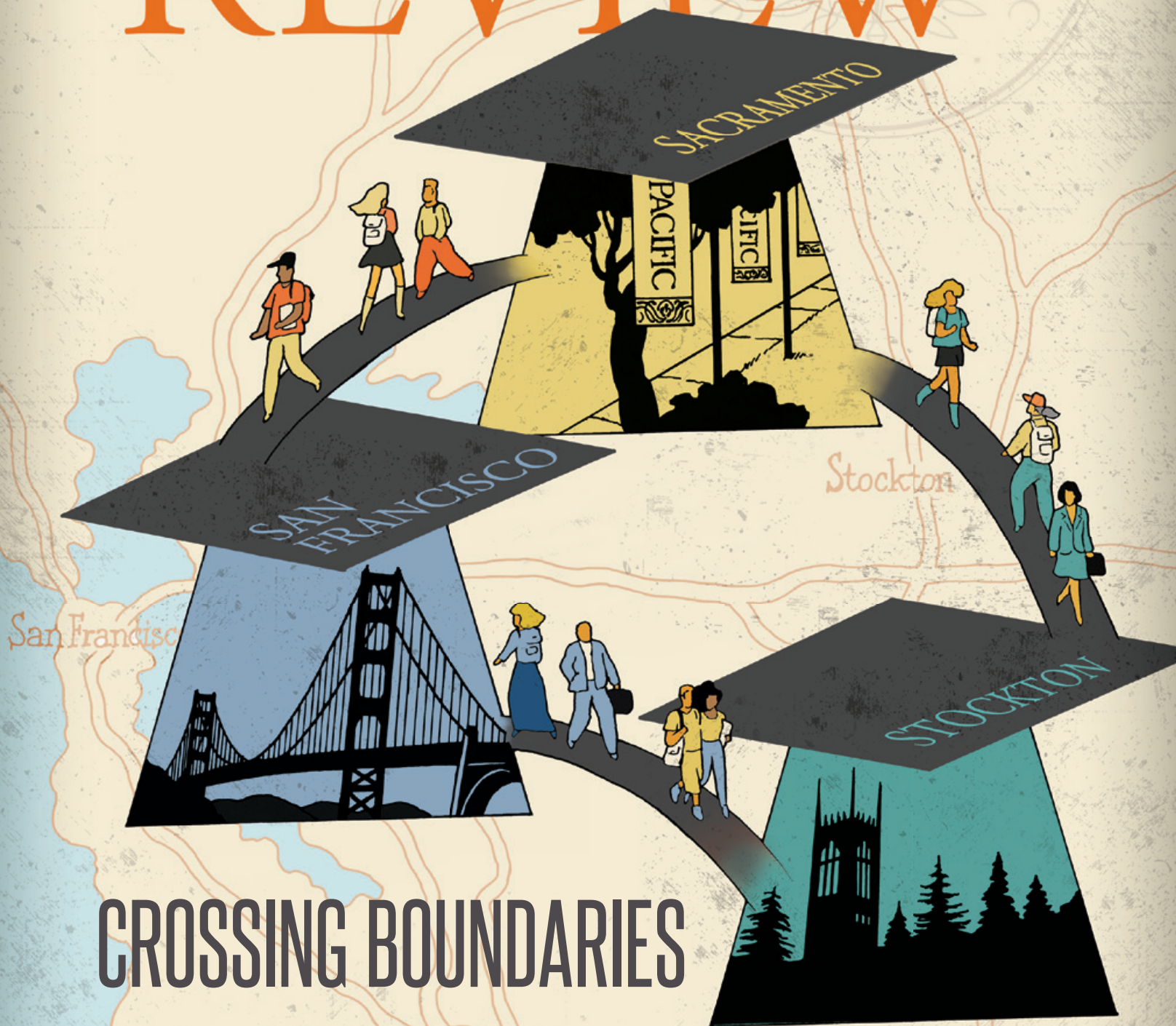
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# PACIFIC REVIEW

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Studying in the sunshine at Pacific's Sacramento Campus

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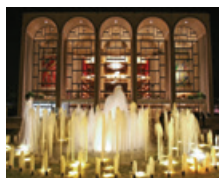
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# LETTERS & REFLECTIONS

## From the President



**T**his time, Pacific has crossed the line. Many lines, in fact.

We are crossing boundaries across disciplines, schools and cities.


Our faculty are reaching across

departments, schools and campuses to deliver innovative interdisciplinary programs that address societal needs. We have launched cross-disciplinary initiatives in health, water and the environment, and the liberal arts. And we continue to bring liberal arts and professional education together for a rich, holistic education.

All this ensures that Pacific graduates are ready to cross boundaries too. We recognize that solving our society's most pressing challenges will require leaders who understand multiple perspectives — disciplinary, professional, cultural and national.

We will need deep thinkers who are not afraid to ask hard questions, effective communicators who can bring people together, and ethical and intercultural citizens of the world.

We will need graduates of University of the Pacific.

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I welcome your ideas at [president@pacific.edu](mailto:president@pacific.edu).



## From our readers

On Paul Fairbrook

(a 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award winner)



I was interested in seeing that Paul Fairbrook received the Honorary Alumnus Award, as I feel particularly close to Paul. As a student during his first years on campus and as a regular employee in the Anderson Dining Commons, I had numerous opportunities to work with and get to know this very special person. I used to get up at 2:30 am.

Sunday mornings and go to the kitchen to help the staff prepare our Sunday turkey dinner, making vats of stuffing, rice, vegetables, giblet gravy and whatever else was on the menu. Learning to carve a turkey has been a skill I have used for many family Thanksgiving gatherings. And it was Paul who established the elite waiters corps, a small group of students who wore black jackets and slacks, white shirts and ties and starched hand towels over one arm, and learned the fine art of waiting tables in a formal dining setting. Our "customers" were regents, faculty and students eating at the Raymond High Table dinners. It was also Paul's effort that brought Indian food to the Callison Dining Commons when the first class of Callison students prepared for their year abroad in Bangalore, India. Yes, Paul's name brings back many such memories of a food service "boss" who brought lots of such changes to UOP beginning in the late '60s.

— Bob Fields '69 RAY

### Editor's note:

In the last issue of *Pacific Review*, we featured a story about our own President Pamela Eibeck receiving the 2015 regional ATHENA Leadership Award. We highlighted a few other Pacificans who also received ATHENA honors. We were notified about another ATHENA award winner: Mary Bava '76 COP, who received the award in 2008. Also, Angela Rosenquist '00 COP, '01 BUS, '03 BUS and Monica Streeter '97, '07 BUS received the Young Professional Leadership Award.

Congratulations to all ATHENA award-winning Pacificans!



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### On Pacific field hockey

From 1968 to 1976, I was first a graduate student and then a faculty member. I think it was my last year as a faculty member at UOP, perhaps over the winter of 1975–76, that we started a women's field hockey team, of which I was a very amateur coach. We played on the university's grass fields in intervarsity competition. In inclement weather we trained indoors and put socks on the heads of the hockey sticks and used a softball to avoid damaging the gym floor. Home games even drew a few spectators. (I remember once tripping over someone's dog leash while running up and down to cheer the team and shout instructions.) I am pleased to note that field hockey is now well established since these inauspicious beginnings. Well done, UOP. Long may your field hockey teams continue and may they do well.

—Stanley Croker '70 CAL

### Correction

In the fall issue of the *Pacific Review* we reported the incorrect class from the 1960s that had exceeded its 50th reunion class gift goal. Congratulations to the Class of 1963 are in order!

### Congratulations Class of '63

on exceeding your 50th reunion class gift goal! Your combined efforts raised more than \$55,000 to endow a student scholarship and qualify for a dollar-for-dollar Powell Match. Now every additional gift received will be matched too!



### We'd like to hear **FROM YOU!**

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## Social Media Moment



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Thanks to all our Facebook followers, our Star Wars video post from last month was the most successful single social media post in Pacific history! Impressive. Most impressive.



Stormtrooper video invades Pacific to capture 1.9 million people

A short video promoting a Pacific professor's research has racked up impressive internet numbers in just three weeks  
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### The force (of social media) awakens

Our most popular post so far in the history of Pacific social media:

close to  
**1.9 million** views  
more than **600** likes  
nearly **250** shares



Like us, follow us, friend us

Read more about this Stormtrooper's adventures on pg. 10



# University News

The Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet was one of many representatives from Pacific at a new conference in November about the future of the Sacramento region.



### Helping the region rise

Pacific lent its voice to a conversation about the future of California's capital region during an innovative new conference in November. Representatives from schools and departments across the university were part of the dialogue.

The "Region Rising" event at the Sacramento Convention Center drew more than 1,000 community and business leaders from throughout Sacramento and San Joaquin County to network, collaborate and brainstorm ideas to help shape the region's present and future.

"To see Pacific so well represented among our region's institutions of higher education and to hear what the university is doing to help us meet the needs of our communities in the decades to come was a crucial part of our conversation."

— Bill Mueller, CEO of Valley Vision

### Showcasing innovation

Pacific business and dental professors shared their perspectives about the role universities play in innovation during the annual Entrepreneurs Showcase Demo

Day hosted by Velocity Venture Capital in November. Dan Wadhwani, a Velocity Venture Capital partner and associate professor in the Eberhardt School of Business, moderated the panel discussion that included Paul Glassman,

a professor in the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, and representatives from UC Davis and Linked Learning. Attendees included top-level executives and venture capitalists from Sacramento and the San Francisco Bay Area.

## Irvine Foundation grant will boost San Joaquin literacy programs

Pacific's Beyond Our Gates Reading by Third Campaign has received a \$300,000 grant from The James Irvine Foundation to strengthen early literacy programs in the San Joaquin Valley.

The two-year award will support a community relations internship program for Pacific students. It will also expand projects that the university and its community partners have launched to promote school attendance, summer learning and school readiness.



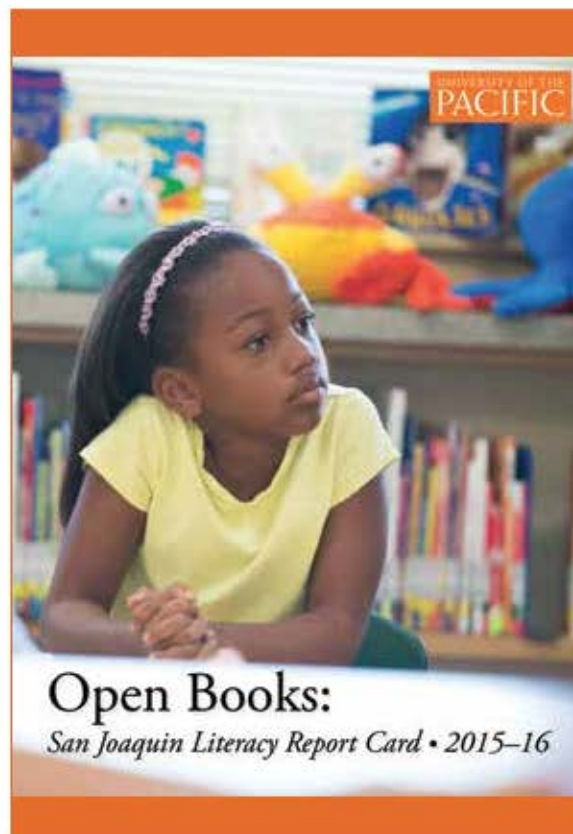
The largest portion of the grant, however, will be awarded to local nonprofits and other groups, helping to enhance literacy initiatives throughout the community.

"The Irvine Foundation's investment in San Joaquin County is a testament to the dedication of local leaders who have come together to help our children become strong readers," said President Pamela

Eibeck, who initiated the Beyond Our Gates Reading by Third campaign in 2012. "The foundation's support will amplify and accelerate our efforts to ensure our kids have the early literacy skills they need to fulfill their dreams and build a bright future for California."

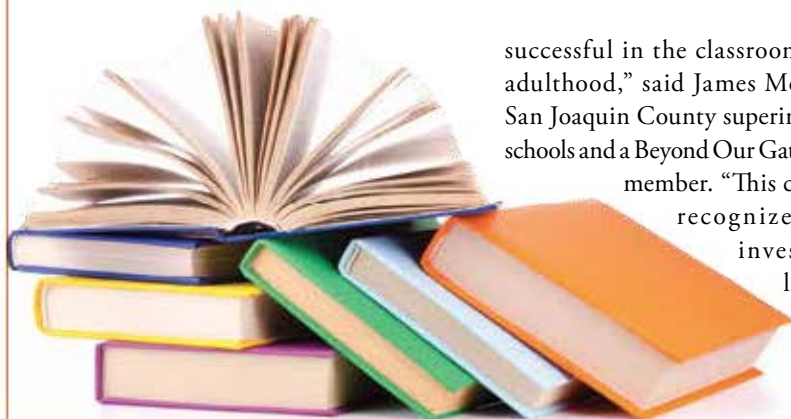
The Beyond Our Gates initiative unites some 50 community partners — including school districts, the public library, businesses, nonprofits and faith-based groups — in an effort to improve early literacy.

"The ability to read is perhaps the most important single skill a child needs to be



Pacific and its Beyond Our Gates partners have developed several programs over the past three years to improve literacy outcomes, such as the San Joaquin Literacy Report Card. Pacific has been issuing this report card every year since 2012 as a way to track progress and set priorities. This year's report card showed that only 27 percent of the region's children can read proficiently at the end of third grade.

*"The foundation's support will amplify and accelerate our efforts to ensure our kids have the early literacy skills they need to fulfill their dreams and build a bright future for California." — President Pamela Eibeck*



successful in the classroom and into adulthood," said James Mousalimas, San Joaquin County superintendent of schools and a Beyond Our Gates coalition member. "This community recognizes that an investment in literacy is an

investment in our social, economic and educational future."

For the past four years, the Beyond Our Gates coalition has been recognized by the national Campaign for Grade Level Reading as a "Pacesetter" in promoting early literacy. The coalition's work was also highlighted at the White House Summit on Early Childhood Education in 2014.

For more information about University of the Pacific's Beyond Our Gates initiatives, visit [BeyondOurGates.org](http://BeyondOurGates.org)



# CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

## Exploring the future of health care

A leading health care economist gave his take on the future of the Affordable Care Act to an audience of health care, education and business leaders in November on the Stockton Campus.

Alain C. Enthoven, an emeritus professor of economics at Stanford and former assistant secretary of defense in the Johnson administration, addressed the 14th annual Community Health Forum, saying that

Brian Jensen, vice president of the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, called Pacific “a hub of opportunity.”

further health care reform is necessary. The forum was organized by the Community Health Leadership Council, whose members include President Pamela Eibeck and professors Peter Hilsenrath and Joseph Woelfel.

Other speakers, including Provost Maria Pallavicini, addressed training the next generation of health care professionals.

She highlighted pharmacy, physical therapy, audiology and other health sciences programs at Pacific as a way to do just that. Pacific’s new analytics program in San Francisco will also help fulfill the high demand for analytics expertise in health care, while in Sacramento, the new MBA with a concentration in health care management will help meet the needs in

that region. The provost also highlighted the importance of a liberal arts background for health care careers.

Brian Jensen, vice president of the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, called Pacific “a hub of opportunity.”

Jensen said the San Joaquin Valley faces a health care workforce shortage that includes an estimated 600 more nurses each year in the San Joaquin Valley.



## A best value

The  
Economist

BROOKINGS

Pacific is a better value than USC or UCLA, according to two recent rankings from *The Economist* and The Brookings Institution.

Both rankings use data from the first-ever White House College Scorecard to assess universities’ strengths in preparing students for economically prosperous lives.

The two rankings used different formulas to analyze the College Scorecard and other data sets for insights into college value, defined as the gap between what graduates earn and what they might have earned had they gone elsewhere.



*The Economist* ranked  
Pacific No. 12  
nationally

(ahead of Yale and NYU)

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### No. 3 best value in California

*(The Economist and  
The Brookings Institution)*



The Brookings Institution  
gave Pacific a score of  
**98 out of 100**

*(a tie with MIT and  
15 other institutions)*



Pacific alumni earn a  
**median salary of \$66,400**  
a decade after they enter college.

*In comparison, USC alumni earn \$66,100  
and UCLA alumni earn \$59,200.*



### Engineering students soar to new heights

This photo of Earth was captured at about 100,000 feet from a tiny satellite called a CubeSat carrying a payload designed by Pacific's Society of Women Engineers Team Tech.

The satellite was launched on a chilly November morning in Lovelock, Nevada, by Pacific engineering students and faculty, students from Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla in Mexico, Tierra Luna Engineering and JP Aerospace. Tierra Luna is a Stockton-based engineering firm founded by Pacific Regent José Hernández '85, a former NASA astronaut.

The CubeSat, rising with the help of a high-altitude balloon, took photos of Earth before returning safely to firm soil. One day it could be used to monitor volcanic activity in Mexico or fly to the International Space Station.

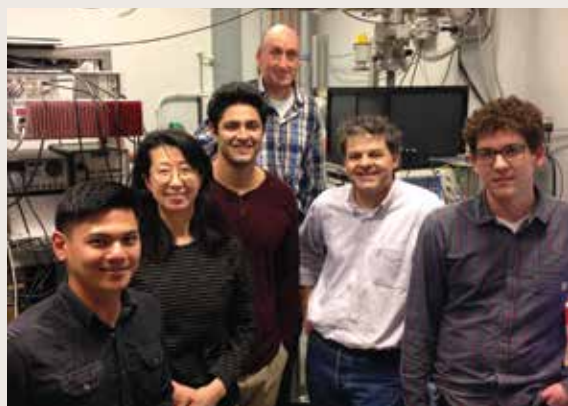
For Delia Davila '16, a bioengineering major, and the other members of Pacific's SWE Team Tech, results from the project have already hit home. The team won second place for its CubeSat research at the Society for Women Engineers conference in Nashville in October.

“My passion is helping and mentoring others, and especially encouraging girls to go into STEM careers. I’m so lucky that I’ve had strong role models and that I’ve been able to meet women who have done this career, and I’d like to show my community how amazing science is.” — *Delia Davila '16*

Keeping the Pacific tiger company on its ride into space are items from other project partners – Stockton-based Tierra Luna Engineering (left) and the Universidad Popular Autonoma del Estado de Puebla in Mexico (right)



## NSF grant takes chemistry students to the Netherlands



Patrick Batoon '17 (left), Professor of Chemistry Jianhua Ren, Zachary Buen '16 and three scientists at the FELIX Laboratory in the Netherlands. Professor Ren (far right) and her students will use the FELIX Laboratory's free-electron lasers to perform experiments to develop better models for understanding the properties of proteins.

Chemistry Professor Jianhua Ren was awarded a new grant from the National Science Foundation last fall for her research on peptides, the building blocks of proteins.

The award of nearly \$27,000 will provide funding for Ren and two graduate students to perform infrared multiphoton dissociation experiments at the FELIX Laboratory in the Netherlands and support her ongoing research grant entitled

“Conformational effects on the gas-phase acidities of biopolymers.”

Ren and her research team are working to develop better models for understanding the acid-base properties of proteins. “Proteins have three-dimensional shapes called folds, and deformities in these folds can cause disease,” said Ren. “For example, Alzheimer’s disease is believed to be linked with misfolded proteins.”

## Music soothes the psychotherapy patient



Patients are more satisfied with their first visit to a psychotherapist’s office when they hear music in the waiting room, according to new research led by a music therapist at Pacific.

“People don’t realize how hard it can sometimes be for patients to take that first step of seeking treatment for mental illness,” said Eric Waldon, assistant professor of music therapy at Pacific and a psychologist with The Permanente Medical Group. “We wanted to see if background music played in the patient’s initial visit affected the patient’s anxiety or satisfaction.”

Results of the study appear in a recent issue of the journal *The Arts in Psychotherapy*.

## Giving peptides a longer life

Pacific researchers have developed a biochemical trick that can significantly extend the lifespan of peptides. The finding opens up new possibilities for creating peptides to treat cancer, infertility and other conditions.

The research, led by Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Mamoun Alhamadsheh, is featured in the November issue of *Nature Reviews Drug Discovery*, a publication that spotlights high-impact papers from *Nature*, *Cell* and other major scientific journals.

“The tremendous therapeutic potential of peptides has not yet been realized, mainly because they can’t survive long in the bloodstream,” Alhamadsheh said. “In our approach, we tagged peptides with a compound that enables it to hitch a ride on a larger protein in the blood. This allows the peptides to avoid degradation and survive in the body much longer.”

Peptides have been engineered to treat a range of disorders, including cancer and diabetes. These tiny chains of amino acids can be safer and more potent and selective than larger molecules — but their short life span demands high doses and frequent administration, limiting their usefulness.

The research was supported by grants from the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, National Institutes of Health and National Science Foundation.





## CAMPUS HAPPENINGS



A Stormtrooper discovers Visiting Assistant Professor Patti McCarthy's book in Pacific's book store



Professor Patti McCarthy '89, '91

### Stormtrooper video invades Pacific

A short video promoting a Pacific professor's research and produced by a Pacific student may not threaten to overtake *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* at the box office, but it racked up impressive numbers of its own.

The video, filmed and edited by student worker Fabricio Bertin '19 in the Office of Communications, was posted on the university's Facebook page ahead of the release of the latest blockbuster in the

Star Wars franchise. In quick time, the short video had reached 1,865,215 people, was viewed 68,884 times, was liked by 577 people and was shared 229 times, making it the most successful single social media post by Pacific.

The video shows a Stormtrooper walking through Pacific's Stockton Campus and greeting President Pamela Eibeck and students along the way to the bookstore, where he picks up a book by Visiting Assistant Professor Patti McCarthy '89, '91,

author of *The Lucas Effect: George Lucas and the New Hollywood*. The book tells of Star Wars creator George Lucas' influence on modern filmmaking.

The success of the video has produced tangible results. McCarthy's Amazon.com

"Author Rank" jumped 800,000 spots to 104,041 in the days after the video was posted and the "Sales Rank" catapulted more than 1.5 million spots.

 [go.Pacific.edu/Stormtrooper](https://go.Pacific.edu/Stormtrooper)

### \$500K grant to improve math teaching in rural California counties

Pacific has received a \$500,000 grant from the California Department of Education for a two-year project to improve math teaching among elementary school teachers from rural areas of Tuolumne, San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties.

The project, a partnership with Teachers College of San Joaquin, will provide 180 hours of professional development to 35 teachers at 10 small, rural and charter schools in the three counties. The goal is to train the teachers to become leaders in math education for their schools.

"This math education project will meet a critical need for professional development for K-6 teachers in these

schools," said Dennis Parker, associate professor of mathematics at Pacific and the principal investigator on the grant.

Pacific faculty and Teachers College of San Joaquin staff will collaborate on the implementation of the program.

"Historically, smaller districts in rural areas have had few options regarding mathematics education professional development," said Sylvia Turner, the Teachers College of San Joaquin graduate studies director. "This project will offer a unique opportunity to further teacher education in mathematics, improve leadership skills, and build a culture of collaboration and networking."



The Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences is celebrating its legacy of excellence built by faculty, staff, alumni and students over the past 60 years.

And the legacy continues. In 2014-15:



- 68 pharmacy and health sciences students, faculty and alumni were recognized with professional awards
- 150 scholarships were awarded, totaling approximately \$300,000
- \$2.8 million was given in donor support to student scholarships and travel grants

- The school was ranked fifth out of 69 private schools of pharmacy in the nation in the number of National Institutes of Health grants awarded



**Mamoun M. Alhamadsheh**  
*Assistant Professor,  
Pharmaceutics and  
Medicinal Chemistry*

"Development of a novel approach to enhance the in vivo half-life of therapeutic agents"



**Xin Guo**  
*Professor, Pharmaceutics  
and Medicinal Chemistry*

"Lipid-coated, pH-sensitive phosphate nanoparticles for intracellular protein delivery"



**William Chan**  
*Professor, Pharmaceutics  
and Medicinal Chemistry*

"Investigating the molecular mechanisms in controlling the aryl hydrocarbon receptor protein levels"

- More than 30,000 hours were volunteered for community service, helping more than 22,000 people



Pharmacy students advising beneficiaries on their Medicare Part D plan.



See more about the school's impact over its 60 years: [bit.ly/pahs60impact](http://bit.ly/pahs60impact)

Read about the school's history in the recent issue of Interactions magazine: [bit.ly/interactions\\_2015](http://bit.ly/interactions_2015)

Find out more information about the 60th anniversary: [Pacific.edu/PHS](http://Pacific.edu/PHS)



## San Francisco News



The San Francisco Giants aren't the only orange and black in town. Pacific's colors are now proudly displayed on the new banners that were installed in various locations in the city.

## TOP JOB

Orthodontics and dentistry are the No. 1 and No. 2 jobs in the country, with physician assistant and oral surgery close behind at No. 5 and No. 10 respectively in the U.S. News & World Report's 100 Best Jobs of 2016. The report looked at jobs that are challenging, pay well, aren't too stressful, provide a satisfying work-life balance and opportunities to work with people.



Pacific is home to the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, the only dental school in the U.S. where students can complete a four-year DDS program in just three calendar years. And in 2017, Pacific also plans to offer a new Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) degree program (pending accreditation) at its Sacramento Campus.



### Plenty to choose from

Food enthusiasts have been sampling the variety of choices Pacific has to offer at its San Francisco Campus during the new Food Studies Saturday Seminars.

The seminars kicked off in the fall, sponsored by Pacific's new master's program in food studies — the first on the West Coast. Continuing through the spring, the seminars feature food experts, food entrepreneurs and Pacific faculty exploring topics such as food safety, organic farming, wine and more.

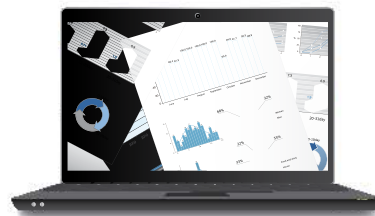


### Analytics lecture series

An analytics lecture series event in January discussed "Using Predictive Analytics For Pay-Per-Click Bidding."

Bay Area professionals have been meeting up at Pacific's San Francisco Campus to learn about the importance of analytics and to discuss cutting-edge topics during interactive lectures and networking opportunities.

The analytics lecture series organized by Pacific's master's program in analytics has connected professionals with industry experts such as the head of people analytics at Pandora and an associate principal at Google.





## Dugoni offers reduced-fee dental services for military veterans

Many veterans struggle to afford dental care after they are discharged from service, as dental benefits are no longer part of medical coverage through the Veterans Administration.

To help serve those who have served our country, the Dugoni School of Dentistry recently launched a new reduced-fee dental program to give veterans throughout the Bay Area affordable access to care.

The school now offers reduced-fee services at the Denti-Cal rate (often up to 30-40 percent off the typical rate of a private dentist). Payment plans are available to those who qualify.

Dental students and residents under the supervision of faculty provide veterans comprehensive dental care

*"As a soon-to-be Pacific alumnus, I'm so proud of my school for offering extended dental coverage to our veterans. These great men and women deserve it for all they have done for our country." — Phillip Duong '16*

including check-ups, cleanings, fillings, scaling and root planing, removable partial dentures, crowns, endodontic procedures, implants and more.



To honor the Bay Area veteran community, Dugoni School students, faculty and staff volunteers provided free dental check-ups to 27 military veterans in November. They were also given a blood pressure check, oral cancer screening and oral health information.

*"I have been involved in several of the efforts to strengthen and support underserved members of the community;*

*however, giving back to those that give everything to support our nation's security somehow outshines all else," said volunteer student Mike Stout, president of the DDS class of 2017.*

Phillip Duong '16 said, "Volunteering at this event made me realize that dental care benefits for our veterans are definitely lacking. As a soon-to-be Pacific alumnus, I'm so proud of my school for offering extended dental coverage to our veterans. These great men and women deserve it for all they have done for our country."



Members of the Pacific Dugoni Foundation, including the school's Dean Emeritus Arthur A. Dugoni (left), greeted golfers who were playing for a good cause.

## Helping kids in their clinics

Dugoni School of Dentistry's 18th annual Kids in the Clinic Golf Classic brought together alumni, friends and volunteers for a day on the links at the renowned Olympic Club in San Francisco that attracted more than 200 golfers — the largest turnout in the history of the tournament.

The October fundraiser raised more than \$40,000 to benefit the school's Kids in the Clinic Endowment.

The volunteer-led program is designed to help underserved children throughout Northern California by raising money for much-needed oral health care at the dental school's pediatric and orthodontic clinics. Many of the children seen at the clinic don't have access to dental care and some have severe medical problems, birth defects or other debilitating conditions.

# Sacramento News



The McGeorge School of Law hosted its seventh annual Immigration Fair in October, providing 77 people with free legal services. More than 110 student volunteers from McGeorge, UC Davis and Lincoln Law School and 14 volunteer attorneys participated.

This year's focus was assisting community members with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and

naturalization applications. To help as many first-time DACA applicants as possible, outreach about the fair was increased this year to local high schools.

During the seven Immigration Fairs McGeorge has hosted, more than 1,000 community members have received free immigration services.

## Verdict: McGeorge law students

McGeorge students proved their legal skills couldn't be argued with as they collected a bevy of individual awards in moot competitions last fall and advanced to the final rounds in the National Moot Court Competition.

Ian McGlone '16 captured the Best Speaker Award in the Thomas Tang Moot Western Regional held in October.

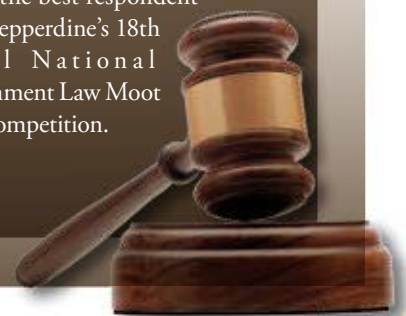
Jenifer Gee '16 and Kimberly Van Spronsen '16 headed to the finals of the

New York City Bar Association's National Moot Court Competition after a victory at the Northern California regional competition. Gee was also named the top oralist in the regional competition, and Van Spronsen and Gee were recognized for second-best brief.

Karly McCrory '16 and Chris Maloney '16 were recognized for second-best brief and advanced to the quarterfinals of the Chicago Bar

Association's competition. Jessica Melgar '16 and James Ward '16 made the octofinals.

Lauren Ngo, Hasan Shaik and Amanda Ryan, all class of 2016, received the best respondent brief at Pepperdine's 18th Annual National Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition.







(from left to right) Moderator Holly Whatley, Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC; Jennifer Harder, assistant professor, McGeorge School of Law; Eric Robinson, Kronick Moskowitz; and Jim Moose, Remy Moose & Manley, were on a panel that discussed "Balancing Water Supply and Growth in Good Times and Bad."



(Right) *Sacramento Bee* senior writer Dale Kasler gave a keynote talk about "Explaining the Drought" at this year's Municipal Law Institute Symposium.

McGeorge hosted the 2016 Municipal Law Institute Symposium, "Ensuring Integrity in 21st Century California: Water & Public Works in Our Arid State," in February. The full-day program featured five panels of experts and brought together civic, legal and environmental leaders from across the state.

## White House taps Pacific student as "ambassador" to Asian American youth

Anne Wong, a student in the EdD program on the Sacramento Campus, was selected by the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to serve as an ambassador to its E3! Ambassadors youth engagement program.

Wong, a first-generation college student and child of Chinese immigrants, is one of

23 young leaders chosen from across the nation to be part of the initiative's E3! Ambassadors 2015-16 class. Launched in 2014, the ambassador program aims to educate, engage and empower young leaders in the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community.

"I'm very passionate about helping AAPI students make a successful transition from college to career," she said.

Anne Wong, a doctoral student in the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education



## KUDOS

The *National Jurist* recognized McGeorge School of Law as No. 3 among the top 20 law schools for excellence in public service careers in the government category in the winter issue of *PreLaw* magazine. McGeorge was listed along with Notre Dame Law School, Washington University and American University.

The *National Jurist* also honored McGeorge among the top 25 in its annual honor roll of best schools for practical training in the spring issue of its *PreLaw* magazine.

## Most Likely to Succeed film screenings

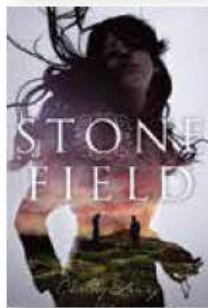
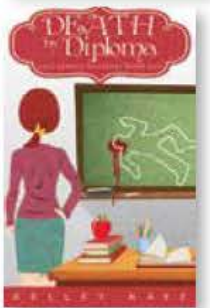
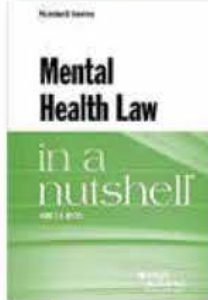
The Gladys L. Benerd School of Education hosted film screenings and panel discussions of the documentary *Most Likely to Succeed* in December.

In Sacramento, where Pacific has recently launched an EdD program, the event drew multiple superintendents from the Sacramento area as well as representatives from the California Department of Education and

policy leaders. A panel discussion included a member of the State Board of Education, two innovative educators and an official from the Sacramento County Office of Education.

Screenings for this award-winning film have been hosted around the U.S. to encourage educational change. Pacific also held a screening in Stockton.

# BOOKSHELF



## We Want Your Books!

The Omega Phi Alpha Library in the Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House has a designated section for alumni books.

**Send to:** Pacific Alumni Association, University of the Pacific, 3601 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95211

## Alumni

### Recollecting: Dreams and Other Altered States

By Helen (Cohn) Bruner '57, Mill Valley, CA  
A collection of original poetry.  
*CreateSpace, May 2015*

### Death by Diploma

By Kelley (Bowles) Gusich '92, San Diego, CA  
Written under the name Kelly Kaye, Gusich's debut novel features high school English teacher Emma Lovett and her Shakespeare-quoting colleague, who investigate the death of a school custodian.

*Red Adept Publishing, February 2016*

### The Tsarina's Legacy

By Jennifer Laam '94 COP, Elk Grove, CA  
In this sequel to *The Secret Daughter of the Tsar*, the lost Romanov heiress claims her birthright and completes a project the late empress and her prince began 200 years earlier.

*St. Martin's Press/Griffin, April 2016*

### Turning Point: Promoting Strategic Shifts in the Lives of Youth Facing Adversity

By Dr. Marlon Gayle '05, '11, Stockton, CA  
Gayle combines his high-energy life-changing story with an interactive discussion in a message of hope and inspiration.

*Outskirts Press, August 2015*

## Faculty

### Stone Field

By Christy Lenzi, *Housing and Residential Life*  
Lenzi's debut young adult novel takes a new look at a classic love story of soulmates torn apart by the circumstances of their time.  
*Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan (March 2016)*

### Mental Health Law in a Nutshell

By John E.B. Myers, *McGeorge School of Law*  
Introduces readers to the broad range of criminal and civil issues in mental health law. Nutshell Series.  
*West Academic, December 2015*

### Property:

#### A Contemporary Approach, 3rd Ed.

By John Sprankling and Ray Coletta, *McGeorge School of Law*  
Interactive casebook designed to introduce property law to 21st-century law students.  
*West, 2015*

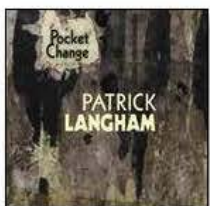
### Horizontal Alveolar Ridge Augmentation in Implant Dentistry: A Surgical Manual

### Vertical Alveolar Ridge Augmentation in Implant Dentistry: A Surgical Manual

Both edited by Len Tolstunov, *Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry*  
The second and newest book includes contributions from faculty members in the school's departments of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Periodontics.  
*Wiley, February and April 2016, respectively*

## On another note...

Recent CDs by Pacific faculty



### "Pocket Change"

By Patrick Langham, *Conservatory of Music*

Langham, director of jazz studies, features original music composed during a fall 2011 sabbatical on this new CD.

*Roll Call Records, 2015*



### "Trio 180"

By Ann Miller, Nina Flyer, Sonia Leong, *Conservatory of Music*

Celebrated concert violinist Ann Miller, GRAMMY-nominated cellist Nina Flyer and award-winning pianist Sonia Leong perform as Trio 180 in this debut CD.

*North Pacific Music, 2015*



### "Perspectives on Light & Shadow" Sonatas By Beaser, Ysaÿe, Bartók

By Ann Miller and Sonia Leong, *Conservatory of Music*

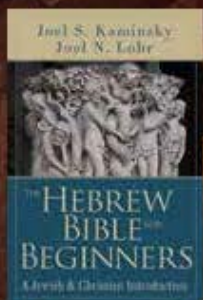
Explores music for violin and piano that is evocative of darkness, light and the shadowy world in between.

*Fantasy Studios, 2015*



# Joel Lohr

Dean of Religious Life



At Pacific since 2012, Joel Lohr oversees religious and spiritual life and is the adviser to multifaith and social justice student groups on the Stockton Campus. He also holds a joint appointment as an associate professor of practice in the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education. Lohr is the author or co-author of 10 books, with two new books published in September 2015. *The Hebrew Bible for Beginners: A Jewish and Christian Introduction* (Abingdon Press), co-authored with Joel Kaminsky, provides an introduction to the Hebrew Bible (or Old Testament) from both Jewish and Christian perspectives. *I (Still) Believe: Leading Bible Scholars Share Their Stories of Faith and Scholarship* (Zondervan), co-edited with John Byron, is a collection of 18 autobiographical essays by prominent senior Bible scholars about how critical scholarship affected their faith, and how their faith contributed to their scholarship. Lohr says the project stemmed from a long-standing interest in understanding how and why scholars remain people of faith in the face of intellectual struggle.

## Water polo player makes a **big splash**

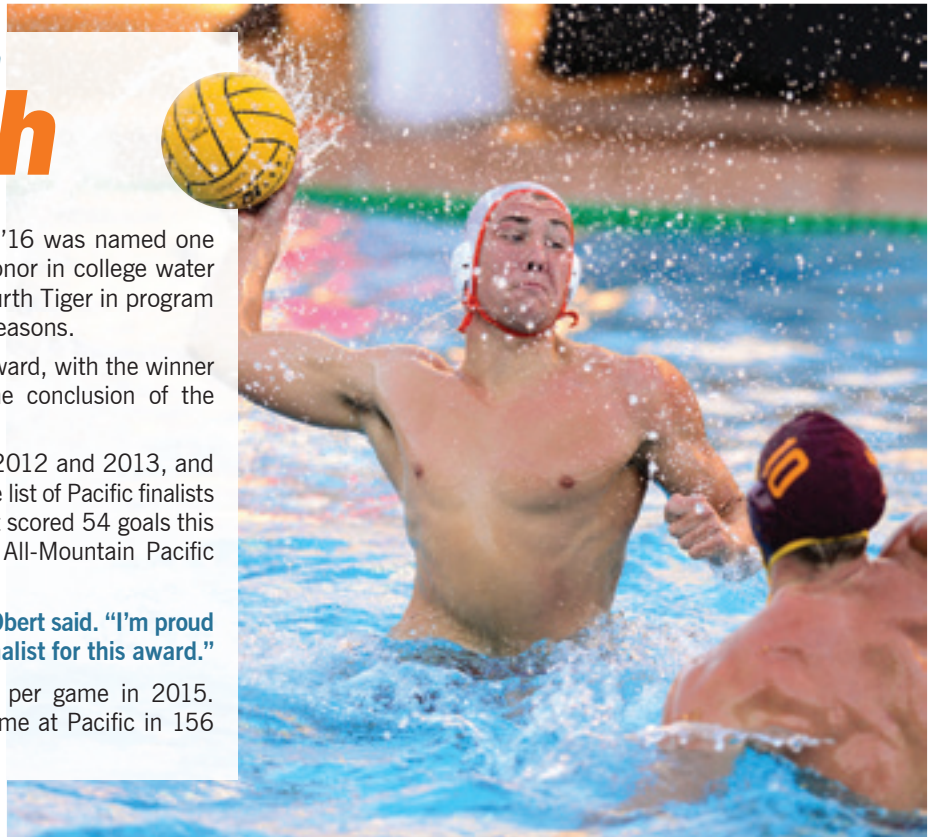
Pacific men's water polo player Alex Obert '16 was named one of three finalists for the most prestigious honor in college water polo, the Peter J. Cutino Award. He's the fourth Tiger in program history to be nominated, all in the last six seasons.

Obert is one of three finalists for the men's award, with the winner being announced this summer following the conclusion of the women's season.

Obert joins Balazs Erdelyi '14, who won in 2012 and 2013, and Goran Tomasevic '14, who won in 2010, on the list of Pacific finalists for the Cutino Award. The All-American Obert scored 54 goals this past season for Pacific, earning First Team All-Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF) honors.

**"I'm grateful and honored to be nominated," Obert said. "I'm proud to represent my team and my school as a finalist for this award."**

He finished with an average of 1.93 goals per game in 2015. His 157 career goals rank him at ninth all-time at Pacific in 156 career games.



## Coach of the Year, James Graham

Men's water polo Head Coach James Graham was named MPSF coach of the year in December. This award was his second in three years as he guided Pacific to a 23-5 mark in both 2013 and 2015.

## Team posts record six All-America Honors, five Tigers All-MPSF

Six Tigers from the Pacific men's water polo program earned All-America honors in December from the Association of Collegiate Water Polo Coaches, setting a team record.

"It's through their commitment and hard work that our program became a national contender, set program records and broke traditional water polo barriers. I couldn't be more proud of this group," said Head Coach James Graham.

Alex Obert was named to the First Team, while Ben Stevenson '17 earned Second Team honors. Aleksandar Petrovic '17 was named to the Third Team, while Brady Moore '16, Krisztian Laczkovics '16 and Devon Thumwood '18 received Honorable Mention selections.

The Tigers' six honorees represent the most in a single season in program history, topping the five selections of 2013.

Pacific also topped past league accomplishments with five All-MPSF honorees. Obert was named First Team All-MPSF while Stevenson earned Second Team honors. Petrovic, Laczkovics and Thumwood received All-MPSF Honorable Mention.

Previously, the Tigers have had four student-athletes earn All-MPSF honors in the same season in 2013, 2012, 1999, 1996 and 1993.

## New conference for water polo

The Pacific men's water polo program will join the Golden Coast Conference (GGC) this fall, competing in a six-member conference with Long Beach State, Pepperdine, San Jose State, UC Irvine and UC Santa Barbara. All six members competed last season in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF).

The Pacific women's water polo team was a founding member of the Golden Coast Conference.

"I am so thrilled we are joining the Golden Coast Conference, where our women's team already plays," said James Graham, head coach of the Pacific men's and women's water polo programs. "I think this is a huge opportunity for our program to increase our access to the NCAA Championship tournament and believe this is going to give high school players the chance to join a program that can compete consistently for a national championship."

The conference will feature league competition on Friday nights leading to the inaugural conference tournament that will be hosted by Pacific. The Chris Kjeldsen Pool on the Stockton Campus will be the site of the inaugural Golden Coast Conference Men's Water Polo Championship.



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## Playing with the pros

Former Tigers men's golfer and WCC Golfer of the Year Byron Meth '15 kicked off his pro career by qualifying for the Sony Open in January. The Sony Open in Hawaii opens the 2016 PGA season as professionals descend on Waialae Country Club in Honolulu for the four-day event.

Meth played as a professional for the first time after an injury derailed the start to his career, which was scheduled for last fall. The former college ace has big-time experience under his belt heading into his professional career after playing in the 2015 Masters last April as an amateur. Meth earned his spot in the Masters, having won the final U.S. Amateur Public Links Championships in 2014. At Pacific, Meth won the WCC Championships in 2014 and was a two-time individual participant in the NCAA Regionals as both a junior and a senior.



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## New tennis center opens

Pacific men's tennis opened the new Eve Zimmerman Tennis Center in early March in a match-up against Utah State. The matches were the first on the Tigers' new 12-court Eve Zimmerman Tennis Center surface. Watch for more about this new state-of-the-art facility in the next *Pacific Review*.



### **Kerri Scroope** New coach for women's soccer

Kerri Scroope has been named Pacific's new head women's soccer coach — becoming just the second head coach in the Division I history of the program, which began in 1994.

Scroope joins the Tigers from Delaware State, where she spent three seasons at the helm of the Hornets, finishing as the most successful coach in the history of the program.



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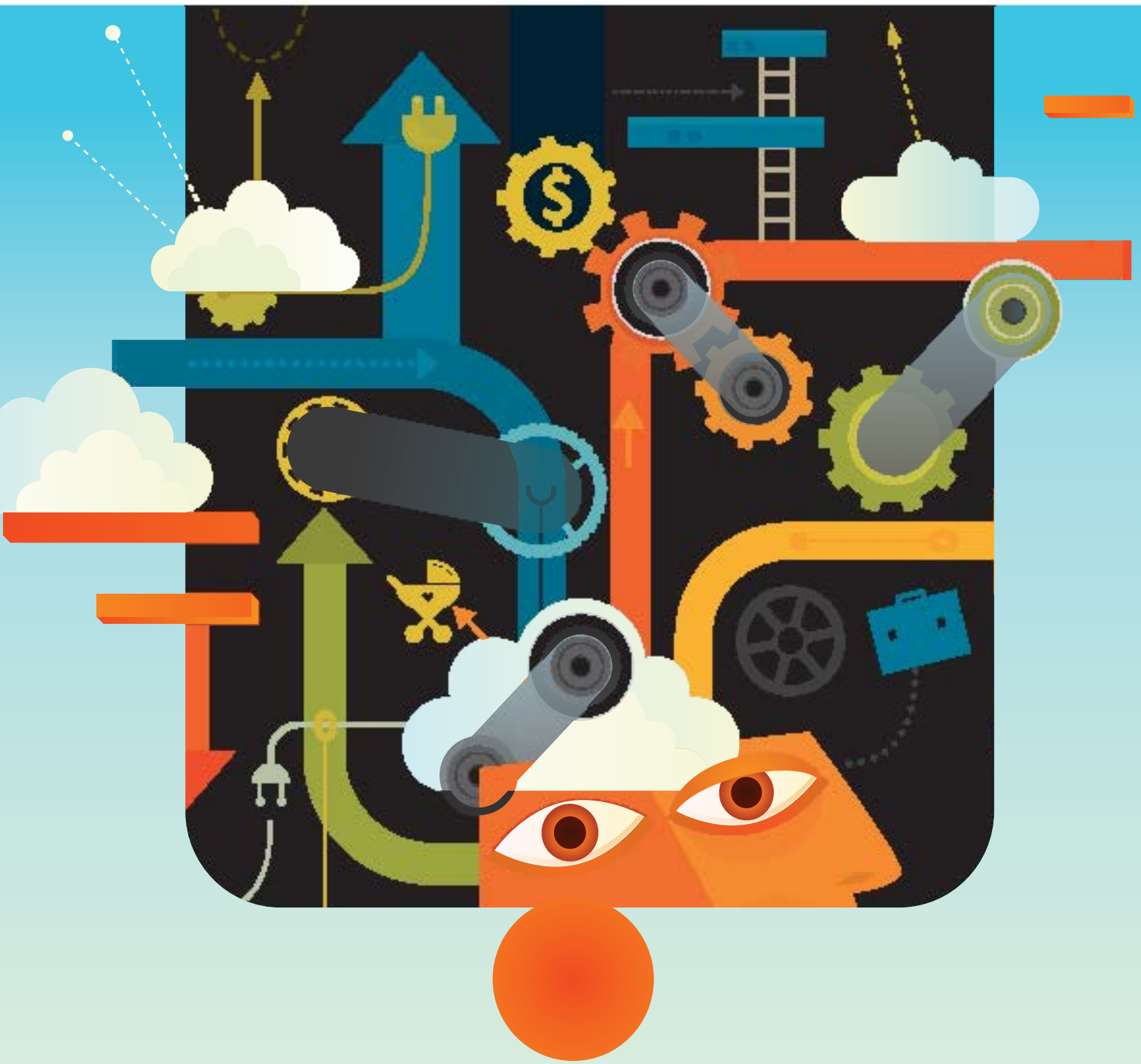
## BREAKING NEWS



### **Pacific** appoints new men's basketball head coach

At press time Pacific announced the appointment of Damon Stoudamire, a seasoned coach with a 13-year NBA career, as the next head coach for men's basketball. Watch for more in the next *Pacific Review*.

View the press conference online:  
[go.Pacific.edu/BBHeadCoach](http://go.Pacific.edu/BBHeadCoach)





# Working to learn and learn

College students who are working and learning at the same time are not alone. In fact, over the past 25 years, they have become the new normal.

New research from Georgetown University has found that more than 70 percent of college students have been working while enrolled, juggling the three-fold demands of school, work and other life challenges.

And these students are no strangers to Pacific, where they can earn undergraduate or professional degrees that can make an immediate impact on their lives, and by extension, on our communities and society.

**Just ask Luis Reyes '16 and Sraineth Flores '16.**

*By Jennifer Langham*

**L**uis Reyes and Sraineth Flores have small but very important reasons for completing their degrees from Pacific: preschool-age daughters for whom they want to be role models.

"I realized after she was born that I wanted to go back to college to show her the importance of education," said Reyes. "I'll be the first in my family to earn a college degree, and I hope my daughter achieves even more than me when she gets older."

Reyes and Flores are not alone — they are part of the fastest-growing segment of college students in the country: working learners.

A 2015 report from Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, "Learning While Earning: The New Normal," found that what most people think of as the typical undergraduate student — attending college right out of high school and financially dependent upon parents — hasn't actually described a majority of the college-going population for almost three decades.

Most students work, and around 40 percent of undergraduates and 76 percent of graduate students work at least 30 hours a week. And of those students who work, about 19 percent have children.

These students are busy and often highly motivated to succeed.

At Pacific's Center for Professional and Continuing Education (CPCE), working students who already have 60 transferable credits can join a cohort of other students to take classes two nights a week for 20 months to complete the requirements for a bachelor's degree in organizational behavior.

For Flores, this wasn't the least expensive choice, but she felt that it was the best one. "I looked at a less-expensive online degree program, but Pacific had always been my dream school,"

she said. "I couldn't believe I had found a program here that worked with my schedule."

Reyes also looked at online options and decided that the in-person experience was worth it. "I wanted to walk the halls of Pacific and to have the connection with my professors and my fellow students, and you just don't get that online."

Flores, 25, and Reyes, 32, had several years between high school and the completion of their bachelor's degrees, and in this way they have plenty of company. The Georgetown report found that one-third of working college students are 30 or older.

Earning a bachelor's degree had long been a dream for Reyes. He had taken classes at a technical college after high school, but his immigration status meant that he had to pay tuition as an international student.

Reyes worked his way up as a manager at AT&T and then moved into a banking career at Wells Fargo. When Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) was implemented in 2012, completing a college degree became more affordable for Reyes, who came to the U.S. when he was three.

"I could now apply as a California resident, which made a huge difference in the cost of tuition," he said.

Pacific offers another degree opportunity for working adults through the EdPro2 program. Started in 2006 in the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education, EdPro2 is a 15-month accelerated program geared toward paraprofessionals working in education who want to earn a bachelor's in liberal studies and move into teaching. The program has had a whopping 90 percent completion rate, according to Marilyn Draheim, professor of education, who operates the program.

# It adds up **By 2030:**

**1.1 million** California will be 1.1 million college graduates short of economic demand

**38%** 38 percent of all jobs will depend on workers with a bachelor's degree, yet only 33 percent of all workers will have one

**70%** In 2005, college-degree holders earned just above 60 percent more than similar workers who held only a high school diploma; by 2013, they earned about 70 percent more

Source: the Public Policy Institute of California report "Will California Run Out of College Graduates?", October 2015.

"The EdPro2 degree completion program has allowed many working adults to fulfill a goal that most had given up on years ago as long out of reach — a bachelor's degree. The accelerated format, accompanied by financial aid, has changed the life trajectory of each of the graduates," said Michael Elium, an associate professor in the School of Education.

## Combining work, school and home lives

Reyes said he gets asked sometimes how he can possibly go to school while also working 50 hours a week, and he said that he actually spends more time now with his family than he ever has.

"I've learned a lot about myself and about time management through this degree," he said. "I've cut out all distractions, like TV and social media, and I've really focused on what's important: family first, then work and my education, and church events."

Working while going to college creates challenges, but it can also create opportunities. Reyes was promoted to a vice president position not long after he started working on his degree at Pacific, and he said his manager tied the promotion directly to his degree work.

"At Wells Fargo you're supposed to have a bachelor's degree to get the vice president title, but my boss said he could already see such a difference in the way I was communicating and a new confidence in the way I carried myself."

Flores also received a promotion after starting her degree work. As an office manager for Aspire Public Schools, Flores leads a staff of seven and runs what she calls the "behind the scenes" at a busy elementary school.

"I interact with parents, students and teachers on a daily basis, and good communication skills are critical," said Flores. "From my very first class at Pacific, Professional Communication, I've learned about systems and strategies that make workplaces run more effectively, and I've shared these with my staff."

For many of the students in the CPCE program, including Reyes and Flores, the bachelor's degree they will receive in May won't be the end of their higher education. Flores plans to apply for law school at Pacific's McGeorge School of Law, and Reyes is considering the master's program in communications, also from Pacific.

"My professors saw something in me that I had not seen in myself," said Reyes. "They have become mentors to me and have encouraged me to go on to graduate school."

And the daughters that both Flores and Reyes want to impress with the importance of college?

They are definitely proud of what their parents are doing on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. "My daughter says, 'That's Mommy's school!'" when she sees the mural of Burns Tower on the wall at Trader Joe's," said Flores.

And Reyes's daughter has already asked, "Can I go to your school when I grow up, Daddy?"

## Expanding the potential to learn and earn

The biggest predictor of whether or not a child will go to college is if their parents are college graduates, said Vernon Smith, Pacific's vice provost for distributed learning, who runs CPCE.

And that has broad implications, as the benefits of education extend beyond just the student who is earning the degree, Smith said.

"The most significant way to move the needle for an individual, his or her child and for society is education," Smith said.

To help make higher education more accessible, CPCE's degree completion program will be expanding to Pacific's Sacramento Campus in 2017.

New and expanded graduate and professional programs in San Francisco and Sacramento are another way Pacific is serving working adults in Northern California.

Through evening and weekend classes as well as online and hybrid options, new programs in education (EdD) and business (MBA) and a master's in analytics are designed for students who are seeking to expand or build upon their existing skill set.

Programs in public policy and public administration and a master's in education will soon be part of Pacific's offerings for working adults.



Reyes and Flores share how they are finishing what they started: [tiny.cc/PacificAdults](http://tiny.cc/PacificAdults)



A woman with long blonde hair, Callie Lindemann '18, stands in front of a building with a wooden facade and large glass windows. The building's name, "School of Law Studies Center", is visible in large, illuminated letters above her. She is wearing a dark blue dress and a matching jacket. The scene is set during the day, with natural light illuminating the building and the woman.

School of Law Studies Center

# From **SOLDIERS** to **STUDENTS**

*By Emily Olson '15*

Those who have served our nation are finding a hero's welcome at University of the Pacific as they take on a new challenge.

Callie Lindemann '18, a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, is a first-year student at the McGeorge School of Law.

**C**allie Lindemann '18 was successfully navigating her third semester at the University of Portland when it finally hit her.

The literature and political science double major was attending school on a scholarship, studying subjects she found fascinating and finally feeling comfortable in her new life that was worlds away from her home in the small farming community of Los Banos, California.

But when her younger brother joined the Marine Corps that fall, something changed for her. While attending his boot camp graduation, she had a sudden realization that she was missing something vital.

"Watching him graduate was one of the proudest moments of my life. He was 18 years old, literally just out of high school," she said. "Seeing him transformed into such a professional, with so much responsibility and purpose, was awe-inspiring. I remember thinking, he's so young and sacrificing so much — why aren't I?"

Less than a year later, Lindemann gave up her life at the University of Portland and was drudging through her own Marine Corps basic training, thinking back to that moment when she decided to follow her brother's footsteps into service. "I had to be a part of something more important than myself and my own small life," she said.

That same mentality pushed her forward during four years in the Marine Corps Reserve, where she worked as one of the only females in her Lathrop, California, duty station. And when she returned home after being discharged, that old mind-set surfaced again.

This time, it drove her back to school, first to complete her undergraduate degree and then to Pacific's McGeorge School of Law. Lindemann, a self-identified "farmer's daughter," has witnessed firsthand the stress and strain California's drought has caused on agricultural families like her own. With hopes of serving her community, she enrolled at McGeorge to pursue her JD and water law certificate.

Now in her first year of the program, Lindemann has found support in a place where she didn't expect to. She is a member of McGeorge's Military Law Society, a student organization started by a U.S. Army veteran in 2009 that includes many veterans and provides them with social support.

"I think a lot of vets feel out of touch with their school communities and can feel very alienated, but McGeorge is the most pro-veteran institution I've attended," she said.

Lindemann isn't the only student veteran at Pacific who has found a hero's welcome. Pacific's veteran and veteran-dependent population has grown significantly within the past few years. In fact, between 2008 and this spring, it increased by 495 percent — jumping from 21 to 104 students. And for good reason.

Pacific has been repeatedly recognized as a "Military Friendly School" by *GI Jobs* magazine, landing in the top 15 percent of colleges and universities that embrace veteran students.

From receiving enrollment waivers during the admission process to working with career counseling staff upon graduation, veterans receive the resources they need to be successful, not only at Pacific but wherever their courage and capacity for service take them next.

## A Smooth TRANSITION

From the very beginning, Pacific works to make financial aid available and the admission process simple. All prospective student veterans are given an enrollment fee waiver and work closely with the Office of the Registrar to find a scholarship or benefit program that might fit.

Pacific is a proud participant in the Yellow Ribbon Program, a designation that allows universities to work with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to provide significant tuition coverage for student veterans. Pacific also honors various educational benefit programs that fund veteran education, such as the Department of Veterans Affairs Post-9/11 G.I. Bill and the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program. In addition to these programs, there are other national and state scholarships that student veterans are encouraged to apply for during the admission process.

**"My goal was to do something significant that would affect more than just myself."**

**— Danielle Strait '19**





That helps them to begin working toward the goal that attracted them to higher education in the first place — be it a drive to serve, like it is for Lindemann, or a personal goal, as it is for international studies student Danielle Strait '19.

Strait, a Marine Corps veteran, joined the military because she wanted to be a part of shaping the world's history.

Strait spent four years working as a radio operator at Camp Pendleton in Southern California and never deployed. With the conflict in Iraq coming to a close, she felt she wasn't able to change the world in quite the way she had hoped. So Strait set her sights on becoming a Foreign Service Officer, a career that would allow her to make a difference internationally.

She knew that Pacific's international contacts and resources would give her the experience necessary for her career plan. With help from the Yellow Ribbon Program and Pacific's Veteran Services Office, she is taking the next step toward her goal of making a larger mark on society and its place in history.

## Campus CAMARADERIE

While a strong, supportive community is a major part of a student's Pacific experience, for the university's student veterans the sense of community on campus takes on a different meaning and significance.

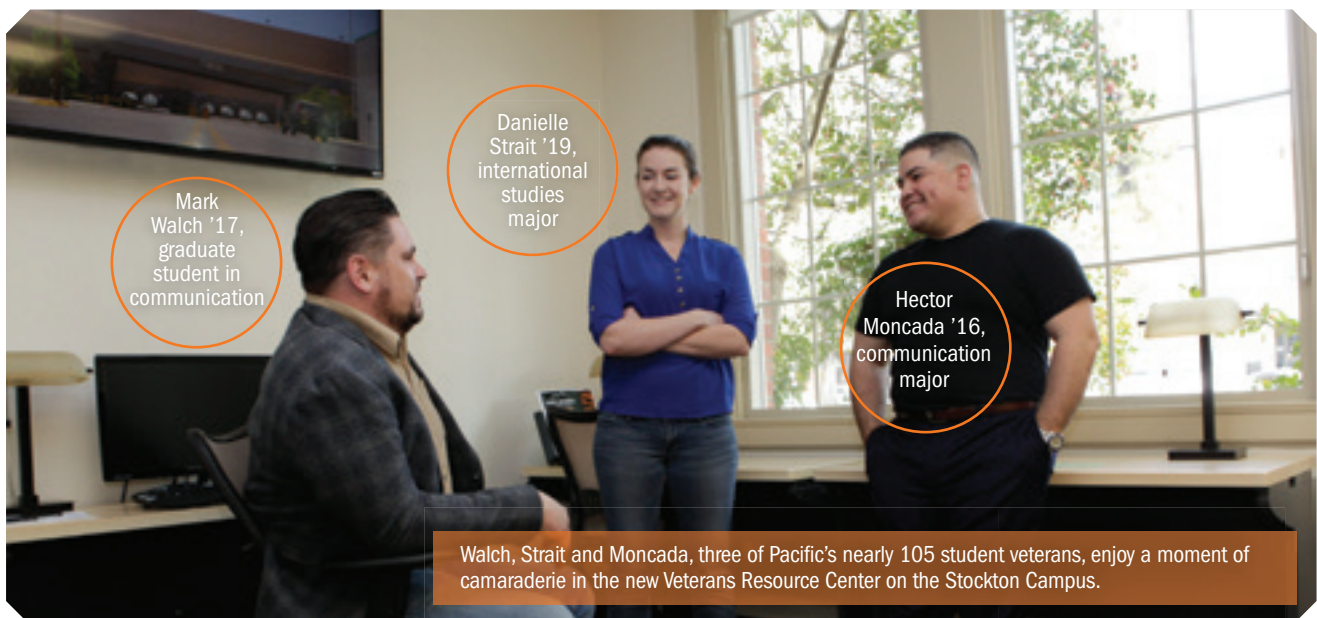
The Student Veterans Organization (SVO) connects Pacific's new and current student veterans as well as family members, active duty members, veteran alumni and student veterans from nearby schools. With a goal of finding fun and fellowship, the group meets regularly and hosts on-campus and off-campus activities and events. And with the opening of the new Veterans Resource Center in November, the club now has a space to gather that's worthy of their years of service and sacrifice.

"Having a group and space to congregate brings back the camaraderie of being in the military — it's important that we as student veterans connect," shared Hector Moncada '16, a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Finding a sense of community for Pacific's student veterans includes more than just finding support from one another. For Mark Walch '17, who served four years in the U.S. Army, attending a university where professors know his name made a big difference.

**"Coming to Pacific felt like being welcomed into a family rather than a school. Everything is student-focused."**

— Mark Walch '17





Hector Moncada '16 (center) visits with fellow veterans at the dedication of the new Veteran's Resource Center.

Walch was stationed overseas in Germany and deployed to Macedonia, where he filled an essential and challenging role as infantry mortician. Not long after returning home, he joined the National Guard, working to fight fires and battle floods. He taught English in a bone-chilling South Korean winter and mentored special education students in Reno, Nevada.

After spending years working with a program for delinquent students, Walch decided it was again time for a new adventure. He felt that pursuing his master's degree would allow him to do something completely different — something for himself. And with all this experience in his back pocket, it might seem like nothing for him to go back to school.

“To be honest, I was a little nervous about it,” Walch said with a laugh. He came to Pacific this past fall as a graduate student in the Communications Department, and he found his worries quickly erased.

“Coming to Pacific felt like being welcomed into a family rather than a school. Everything is student-focused,” Walch said. “Dr. Theresa Bergman, specifically, helped me build academic confidence and get back into the swing of things.”

Even Pacific's student-athletes help express gratitude for Walch's service. Pacific Athletics hosts military and veteran appreciation nights at various athletic events throughout the year, honoring military personnel with free admission, a presentation of the colors and honorary first pitches or guest coaching roles. In November, Walch was guest coach for the women's volleyball team.

## PREPARED for the Career Field

Veterans know that success stems from serving others; many of Pacific's student veterans direct their intentions toward the greater community and making an impact for veterans on both a local and national scale.

Pacific's student veterans have a strong relationship with Student Veterans of America (SVA), an organization that advocates for improvement in educational benefits for veterans nationwide. SVA provided Pacific with a grant to help make the Veterans Resource Center possible, and Pacific's student veterans returned the favor with their own show of support.



An honor guard helped Pacific dedicate its new space for veterans on Nov. 11, 2015. Since 2008, Pacific's veteran and veteran-dependent population has grown by 495 percent — from 21 to 104 students.



One student veteran in particular, Moncada, has advocated for veterans' benefits in ways that have taken him all the way to the nation's capital.

During his four years in the U.S. Army and his 2003 deployment to Iraq, Moncada served as a combat medic, coming home with much on-the-ground training. He put his skills to good use in health care, working as a respiratory nurse before coming to Pacific with a resolution to try something different.

He fell in love with communication while taking Paul Turpin's class on public advocacy. "He broke down rhetoric and showed me how powerful this stuff could be," Moncada said. He is currently working as president-elect of the San Joaquin Human Resources Association, a position he earned through an opportunity offered by Pacific's Career Resource Center.

"It was a bit serendipitous," he said. "The center contacted me to see if I was interested in doing a mock interview. Turns out it was with the president of the Board of Directors." While the interview was scheduled as just a way to practice, Moncada's personality and resumé were so impressive that the experience yielded a real job offer.

He's also serving on U.S. Representative Jeff Denham's human resource advisory committee and using his position to advance benefits for fellow veterans. His advocacy work has ultimately led him back to making an impact in health care. Last January, Moncada traveled to Washington, D.C., where he spoke with lawmakers such as U.S. Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and U.S. Representative Jerry McNerney about the Affordable Care Act provision known as the "Cadillac tax" and its potential for increasing health care expenses for veterans.

"Finding a job like mine is all about hard work and presenting yourself in a professional manner — both skills that I really developed at Pacific," he said, also giving credit to a few key mentors, like visiting communication professor Dave Frederickson '66, who helped him navigate the corporate world and connect with professional organizations.

Of course, the mentality that Moncada and other veterans developed during their service is also key to their success.

"I'm just relentless," Walch explained. "I don't give up on things easily."



## Serving the needs of those who served

On Nov. 11, 2015, Pacific opened its arms (and doors) even wider to its veterans with the dedication of the new Veterans Resource Center.

"We wanted a space for our student veterans to be able to study, relax and interact with other veterans," said Assistant Vice President for Student Life Lynn King.

Grants from Home Depot and the Student Veterans of America, and the hard work of Pacific staff, helped make the space possible.

Located in the main gym, the Veterans Resource Center is designed as a place for student veterans to connect and to attend workshops, benefit counseling sessions and Student Veterans Organization meetings. There's still plenty of room for the student veterans to make it their own, and they've already started discussing career networking opportunities, guest lectures and community service initiatives.

**"Our veterans possess tremendous discipline, a broad range of skills, and embody the values of teamwork," said Assemblymember Susan Eggman.**

"Armed with college degrees, they are uniquely positioned to occupy leadership roles in a variety of fields," said Eggman, who spoke at the center dedication. "The emphasis University of the Pacific has placed on outreach to veterans reflects an understanding of the strengths and potential that our veterans possess."



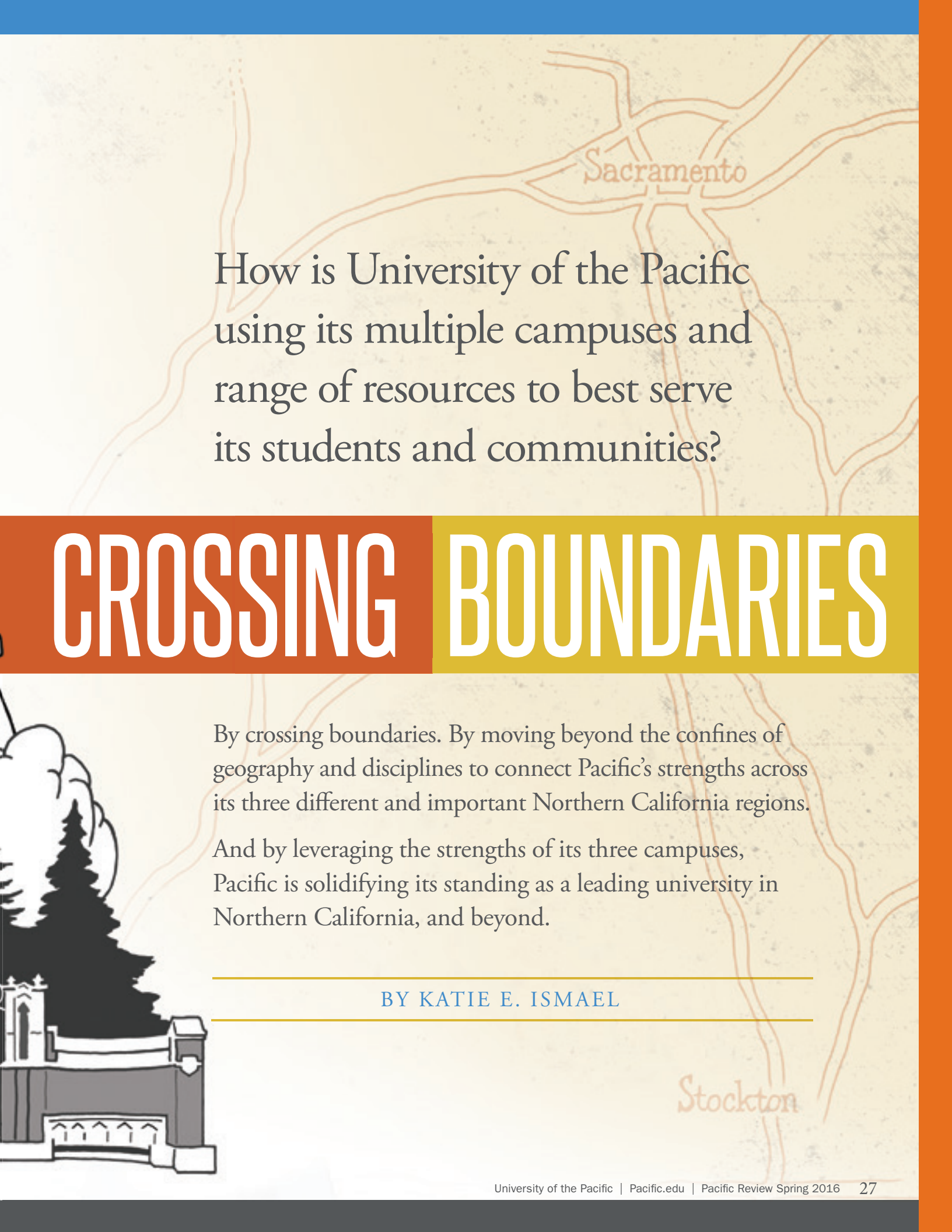
The Yellow Ribbon Program helps make graduate schools and private universities more affordable for veterans.



*“We build too many walls  
and not enough bridges.”*

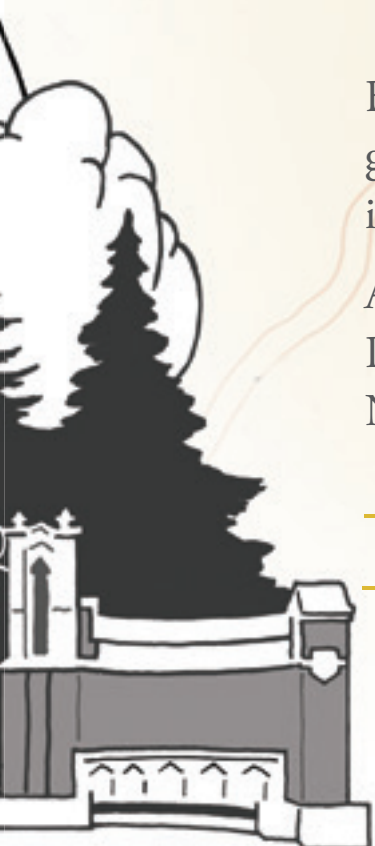
*—Isaac Newton*





How is University of the Pacific  
using its multiple campuses and  
range of resources to best serve  
its students and communities?

# CROSSING BOUNDARIES



By crossing boundaries. By moving beyond the confines of geography and disciplines to connect Pacific's strengths across its three different and important Northern California regions.

And by leveraging the strengths of its three campuses, Pacific is solidifying its standing as a leading university in Northern California, and beyond.

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BY KATIE E. ISMAEL

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Stockton

At Pacific, crossing boundaries means more than introducing new programs or professors. It means taking a holistic approach to educating our students that prepares them for success in their professional, personal and civic lives.

## Combining Strengths

● **Health law scholar:** Emily Whelan Parento was the principal health policy adviser to Kentucky Governor Steven L. Beshear as the state successfully implemented the Affordable Care Act. Now she's sharing her expertise at Pacific as the Gordon D. Schaber Health Law Scholar at the McGeorge School of Law.

● **Hearing the need:** Pacific's new Doctor of Audiology program in San Francisco — the first in Northern California — has clinics in both San Francisco and Stockton, where Pacific's programs in speech-language pathology are nationally recognized.

● **The business of health care:** Through a new MBA program in Sacramento, the Eberhardt School of Business is preparing students for the rapidly changing and critical field of health care management.



## The Right Place

When Pacific decided to form its new graduate Public Policy Programs, it looked to its established and respected law school on the university's campus in the heart of the state's capital, where major policy decisions are made.

Not only will students in Pacific's new public policy and public administration programs benefit from studying issues in the nation's most important capital, they also will benefit from access to campus resources such as the Capital Center for Public Law and Policy and the new Sacramento office of the oft-cited Center for Business and Policy Research.

That's a combination that will provide students plenty of opportunity for research and collaboration across disciplines.



## Pacific's Foundation: the



Students with a strong liberal arts education—gained from a combination of arts, humanities, and natural and social sciences — have skills that are necessary for personal and professional success in our rapidly changing world. That's why Pacific is a champion



● **Helping to heal:** The new Physician Assistant Program\* on the Sacramento Campus will draw on Pacific's highly regarded health-related schools — the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry and the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences — and give students inter-professional opportunities through programs in dentistry, pharmacy, physical therapy, audiology and other areas. *\*pending accreditation*



● **Healing sounds:** Pacific's Conservatory of Music in Stockton expanded its healing touch to the Bay Area with a new Music Therapy Equivalency Program on the San Francisco Campus. This will allow more professionals with a background in music to help patients in health care and educational settings through the healing power of music.

## Reaching Across Cities and Disciplines



### ● A wealth of data:

Pacific's new graduate program in analytics combines industry expertise and experienced academic faculty to offer students the best of both worlds, including instructors from industry leaders such as Google. Rising from the School of Engineering and Computer Science in Stockton, Pacific's new program, currently being offered at its San Francisco Campus, will be expanding to Sacramento and is helping to fill the growing need for data scientists throughout the region.

● **A good merger:** Karrigan Börk, a new faculty member with expertise in ecology and environmental law, has a joint appointment with the McGeorge School of Law and the College of the Pacific, the university's liberal arts and sciences school. This allows for the integration of law students in environmental science courses.



### ● A sustainable solution:

Pacific's three campuses lie in a Northern California region facing critical environmental issues, none more challenging than water. So, Pacific will build on the growing interdisciplinary expertise of its faculty to educate leaders and partner with communities on solutions. Pacific recently welcomed new faculty member Jennifer Harder to do just that. Harder brings a decade of experience as a water attorney and partner with Downey Brand LLP, one of the region's largest law firms.

● **A cornucopia in one program:** History, English, business, sociology and anthropology professors from Stockton blend their knowledge in Pacific's new food studies master's degree program—the first on the West Coast. Students learn about the ways people have grown, prepared and profited from food through history and across cultures in one of the world's most important food cities — San Francisco.



### ● New heights for education:

The Stockton-based Gladys L. Benerd School of Education is expanding in Sacramento with an EdD program that began last fall and a master's program in education to be launched this fall, allowing graduate and professional students to study this field where many of the state's highest educational offices are located.

## e Liberal Arts

of the liberal arts, which have been a foundation of the university and of its graduates' successes for nearly 165 years. As such, Pacific has continually reimagined and reshaped its liberal arts core through the decades and for the 21st-century student.



Hannah Ludwig '14 (left) and Yelena Dyachek '13 (right), appearing in the award-winning 2013 Pacific Opera Theatre production of *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. Ludwig and three other alumni were district winners in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions, while Dyachek became the first Pacific graduate to advance to the grand finals on the Met stage.

# The Stage is Set

*Four Conservatory of Music alumni make their voices heard in renowned Metropolitan Opera competition*

It started with over 1,500 hopefuls. Then they were whittled down to just nine of the nation's top singers — all vying to win the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and earn a place reserved for the most talented young opera artists.

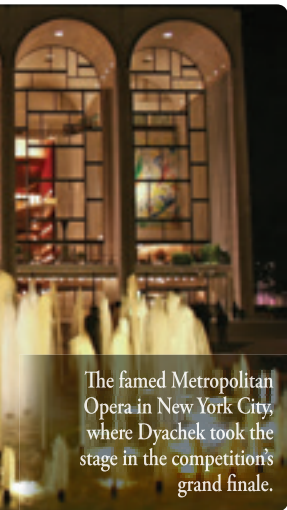
Along the way, three Pacific opera alumni got close to the coda of the competition, while another — Yelena Dyachek '13 — made it to the finish. (*Editor's note: at press time, we learned that Dyachek became one of the five winners of the competition. Look for more about this tremendous win in the next issue of the Pacific Review.*)

As a grand finalist in America's most prestigious opera competition, Dyachek had already attained a brava-worthy

goal. Since 1935, the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions program has been launching the careers of opera's most successful, offering the winners a chance to train with the Metropolitan Opera's artistic staff and perform for top talent agents.

It was a year-long journey of vibrato twists and turns for Dyachek, as she bested competitors in district and regional performances. The soprano from Sacramento sang on stage at the Met in the national semifinals on March 6. She then advanced to the national finals, where she competed against eight other talents in the grand finals. The top five singers won \$15,000, in addition to the title and training opportunities.





The famed Metropolitan Opera in New York City, where Dyachek took the stage in the competition's grand finale.

“My professors gave me the resources and guidance I needed to succeed in the professional field as an opera singer.”

— Hannah Ludwig '14

She also pointed to the conservatory's language training as a crucial tool in her graduate education and professional work. Originally from the Ukraine, Dyachek began her undergraduate career already fluent in English, Russian and Ukrainian. Pacific's language resources allowed her to also study Italian, German and French.

Having a breadth of language skills is important for a career that could have international implications. In an interview with Capital Public Radio after the regionals in February, Dyachek said, “I want to perform all over the world. For now, I need to perfect my languages, learn more culturally and be able to immerse myself in the music wherever I go to connect with every character and do them justice, no matter the language.”

With the skills from Pacific that got them this far in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions, Dyachek and her conservatory opera peers are singing their way to a bright future.

For the Conservatory of Music to have recent graduates advance this far in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions is an extraordinary feat for a single conservatory.

Hannah Ludwig '14, Andrew Dwan '13 and Ted Pickell '14 all made it to regional finals, just missing a chance to compete against Dyachek in the semifinals. While they did not continue to the semifinals, each was given an encouragement award.

“To have four Pacific-trained artists recognized in four different districts as winners so early in their careers is just phenomenal,” said Daniel Ebbers, interim dean of the Conservatory of Music and a professor of voice. “This is the most prestigious voice competition in the world, and it has been a defining step in the careers of some of the greatest opera stars.”

The four Pacific opera alumni are used to hitting the high notes. All were on stage together in the 2013 Pacific Opera Theatre production of *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, which received a first place prize in that year's Opera Production Competition sponsored by the National Opera Association.

And, according to Ludwig and other opera alumni, the conservatory should be taking a bow.

“My professors gave me the resources and guidance I needed to succeed in the professional field as an opera singer,” said Ludwig. “I owe all my success to the fundamentals that the conservatory gave me.”

Dyachek, who participated in all of Pacific's opera productions as an undergraduate, counted her stage time as essential to her vocal development; lead performance opportunities — such as she had with *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *The Magic Flute* and *Threepenny Opera* — are not typically available to young students at larger conservatories.

## The Fantastic Four:



Yelena  
Dyachek '13



Andrew  
Dwan '13



Hannah  
Ludwig '14



Ted  
Pickell '14

## Another brava

### for conservatory alumna

Mezzo-Soprano Irene Roberts '06 will be performing the title role of *Carmen* at the San Francisco Opera in their 2015-16 production. Roberts made her debut in San Francisco in 2013 as Giulietta in *Les Contes d'Hoffman* and has appeared in *Le Nozze de Figaro* and *Parsifal* with the Metropolitan Opera. She is currently performing the same title role of *Carmen* with the Deutsche Oper Berlin. She will return to the U.S. in May to work with the San Francisco Opera on its performance of *Carmen*, which runs May 27 – July 3 (to attend *Carmen* with fellow alumni, email [conservatory@pacific.edu](mailto:conservatory@pacific.edu)).



Hear them sing: [go.Pacific.edu/MetOpera](http://go.Pacific.edu/MetOpera)



# ALUMNI NEWS & NOTES

## Dan Hammer '07 COP, '11 DEN

The former men's volleyball player is continuing to use his hands for good as an oral surgeon resident helping our wounded warriors



When the U.S. Department of Defense coordinates a diplomatic mission to perform life-altering medical treatments, people like Dan Hammer '07, '11 are on the team.

Hammer recently returned from a trip to the Dominican Republic, where he conducted 60 cleft palate procedures in just two weeks and then spent his downtime

educating local doctors on his techniques. The oral and maxillofacial surgeon resident is no stranger to using his talents for leadership and service. As a Wounded Warrior Project doctor and advocate, Hammer works to make a difference in the lives of soldiers who were injured while serving.

As a biology major in the College of the Pacific, Hammer played on the men's volleyball team and served as head of the Pacific Student Athletic Council. He began college set on attending medical school, but after a few internships, he started to think differently. A professor suggested he shadow students at Pacific's Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry, and Hammer took the advice, quickly finding a better fit.

Armed with a degree from Dugoni, Hammer spent 10 months with the U.S. Marines as a dental officer, assisting with

pre-deployment dental emergencies. He then moved to Bethesda, Maryland, to begin a four-year residency with the U.S. Navy at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. There he started working with the Wounded Warrior Project and discovered his calling: performing facial and oral reconstruction for America's heroes.

"It's brought me the biggest challenges of my life, but I absolutely love my work," Hammer said. "It makes you take time to be thankful for what you have and not take things for granted. You might get angry or frustrated during the day for something as small as not having your cell phone charged, but you think about what these people are going through, and you realize your small problems are not really that significant."

Hammer also serves as president of the Resident Organization of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, a nonprofit association that serves about 1,200 oral medical specialists nationwide.

After concluding his residency at Walter Reed, Hammer hopes to secure a fellowship in head and neck oncology, with an ultimate goal to improve techniques for treating wounded warriors.

And if the Department of Defense calls again, he's always ready to jump into service.

— Emily Olson '15





## Jennifer (Banks) Svihus '87 COP

*President,  
Pacific Alumni Association*

## Greetings, Fellow Alumni and Friends

The most visible sign of the university's vitality is the success and achievements of its alumni. Take a moment to read through the Class Notes in this issue, and be introduced to the exceptional University of the Pacific alumni whose accomplishments elevate our entire community. Here is a sampling of what makes me so proud to be an alumna:

- Over the past three months, we held 14 alumni receptions in Mountain View, Sacramento, Costa Mesa, Moraga, Santa Clara, Chicago and Waikiki. More events are being planned during the coming year, so keep an eye out for email invitations in your area. Not receiving our emails? Send your address to [pacificalumni@pacific.edu](mailto:pacificalumni@pacific.edu).
- 224 alumni have volunteered to mentor students and network with other alumni through the Valor Connect app. Join the conversation by downloading the free Valor Connect app through the iTunes store, and access the University of the Pacific community using the access code "TIGERPOWER."
- This October 14–16, we'll host reunions for the classes of '76, '86, '91, '01 and '06. Affinity groups celebrating reunions include Phi Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Pi Kappa Alpha, Black Alumni Club and Rhizomia. Make plans now to be in Stockton for Homecoming.
- We learned about and celebrated the accomplishments of four distinguished alumni and an outstanding family. In January, we honored Morrison C. England Jr. '77 COP, '83 LAW; Connie (Xanttopulos) Rishwain '79 COP, Ronald B. Robie '67 LAW, the Chan Family and Paul Fairbrook. These Distinguished Alumni Awards recognize the significant contributions of our alumni to their alma mater, their profession and their community. It was a particular pleasure to be involved in the awarding of these recipients.

This is just a small sampling of all that our community does. I thank each of you for your support, and look forward to reading *your* story in future issues! If you have news to share, or ideas for alumni events or activities, please send them to [pacificalumni@pacific.edu](mailto:pacificalumni@pacific.edu).

Sincerely,

Jennifer (Banks) Svihus '87 COP  
*President, Pacific Alumni Association*

## New alumni relations coordinator



Christopher Ortega '07 COP, '10 EDU, is the new alumni relations coordinator. He will focus primarily on reunions. He was very involved as a Pacific Ambassador and resident assistant as a student and served as an interim coordinator of new student and family programs. Prior to his role in student life, Ortega served as the assistant director of orientation programs at USC for two years, and as a resident director at Loyola Marymount for three years.

### Pacific Alumni Association Leadership at Its Best

Through alumni leadership, the members of the board provide support for the University, its students and its alumni.

#### 2015–16 Pacific Alumni Association Officers

*President:* Jennifer (Banks) Svihus '87 COP  
*President Elect:* Janice Magdich '79 COP, '96 LAW  
*Immediate Past President:* Franz Vaiarello '74 COP  
*Vice President:* Steve Covell '71 BUS  
*Vice President:* Adam Ellison '08 COP  
*Vice President:* Tim O'Neill '78, '91 COP  
*Vice President:* Mary Pietanza '86 BUS  
*Vice President:* Mohammad Waqar Rizvi '02 BUS  
*Vice President:* Sarah Wells '02 BUS

#### Board of Directors

Kim Austin '90 COP  
James Collins '81 BUS  
Ned Collins '97 SIS  
Ashton Datcher '12 COP  
Margaret (Peers) Frederickson '66 PHS  
Scott Gerbert '90 COP  
Shanti (Patching) Halter '01 LAW  
Allan Hardcastle '77 COP, '79 LAW  
Carol Hirota '77, '79 COP  
Matt Hoffman '03 ENG  
Venilde Jeronimo '90 SIS

Elizabeth MacNab '01, '02 EDU  
Dick McClure '78 COP  
Erin (Westfall) Mettler '01 COP  
Danna (Baldwin) Moreno '74 ECC  
Grant Reeder '86 BUS  
La Nor (Miller) Smith '86 COP  
Julian Torro Solis '08 COP, '10 EDU  
Anne (Cover) Teutsch '85 BUS  
Max Vargas '09 COP  
Robert Webster '59 BUS

## Holiday gatherings

**East Bay Club** members collected new toys for needy children brought by fans to the Pacific men's basketball game on Dec. 4. Powercat also got in on the action on Dec. 5 as the **San Joaquin Club** collected toys and coats for children at the New York Life offices of Phu Nguyen '06 COP in Stockton.



Venilde Jeronimo '90 SIS and the **South Bay Club** steering committee hosted a holiday reception on Dec. 10 in Mountain View featuring authentic Portuguese cuisine and wine donated by Brad Loos '86 BUS. The **Sacramento Club** steering committee met at Ten22 for an Italian meal and white elephant gift exchange on Dec. 10.

The **Half-Century Club** heard about early-20th-century female explorers from author and former faculty member Durlynn Anema '84 EDU. Ken Parsons '63 COP served as emcee for the group's winter luncheon Dec. 9.



On Dec. 11, Tigers of all ages from the **Sacramento Club** got on board the Polar Express for a magical journey to the North Pole at the California State Railroad Museum. All the children received silver bells from Santa himself.

Pictured: Rob McCaffrey '90 ENG, wife Victoria, daughter Brookelyn and son Robby.

## Aloha Hawaii

Eberhardt School of Business Dean Lewis Gale joined alumni from the **Hawaii Club** on Feb. 28 at the Outrigger Canoe Club with stunning views of Waikiki Beach.







## The game's afoot!

The **Los Angeles Club** alumni cheered on the Pacific Tigers in a thrilling win in overtime at Loyola Marymount University on Jan. 9.

The **East Bay Club** and the Pacific Athletic Foundation co-hosted a pregame reception prior to the Tigers men's basketball team against Saint Mary's College in Moraga on Jan. 14.

More than 200 alumni gathered in **Stockton** for a pregame reception before the men's basketball game against Gonzaga University on Jan. 23. Guests heard from the Pacific Pep Band and featured speakers including Head Coach Mike Burns.

The **South Bay Club** enjoyed a pregame reception and rooted for the men's basketball team against Santa Clara University at the Leavey Center on Feb. 27.



## Orange County Club relaunches

Alumni gathered to celebrate the relaunch of the **Orange County Club** on Jan. 8 at LCA Wine in Costa Mesa.



## Black History Month

The **Black Alumni Club** partnered with Pacific's Black History Month Committee to host keynote speaker Nate Parker, acclaimed actor, writer and director, on Feb. 29. The distribution rights to his film *Birth of a Nation* were purchased by Fox Searchlight Pictures for a record-setting \$17.5 million at the 2016 Sundance Film Festival.

## CIP mixer

More than 40 alumni of the Community Involvement Program met on Jan. 29 at the University Plaza Waterfront Hotel in downtown Stockton for a networking mixer.





# Save the Date for **Your** Reunion

Excited for **Homecoming Weekend** at Pacific? Your Pacific friends and faculty members can't wait to see you again. Mark your calendar now for **Oct. 14–16, 2016**. You can see a preliminary schedule of events at [PacificAlumni.org/Reunions](http://PacificAlumni.org/Reunions).

<b>Black Alumni Club</b>	<b>Class of 1976</b>	<b>Phi Delta Chi</b>	<b>Class of 2001</b>
<b>Class of 1986</b>	<b>Phi Delta Theta</b>	<b>Class of 1991</b>	<b>Pi Kappa Alpha</b>
			<b>Rhizomia Class of 2006</b>

# Congratulations Classes of 1963 1964 1965

These three 50th Reunion classes  
have raised more than \$50,000 each to enhance or establish  
their classes' endowed scholarships  
and successfully qualified for the Powell Match



## May 13–15, 2016

*"The 50th Class Reunion for the Class of 1965 was a wonderful way for me to reconnect with classmates and to appreciate the progress Pacific has made in the 50 years since we graduated. Diane and I enjoyed ourselves tremendously and had a great time."*

—Douglas Pipes '65

Join the class of 1966 during  
Commencement Weekend to celebrate  
your 50th Reunion  
and Half-Century Club Induction

Register online now! [PacificAlumni.org/50Year](http://PacificAlumni.org/50Year)  
More information available online at  
[PacificAlumni.org/Reunions](http://PacificAlumni.org/Reunions) or 866.575.7229



# 2016 Trips

## Italian Riviera

Oct. 1-9

### Oregon Shakespeare Festival

July 28 – Aug. 3

### Provence

Sept. 13-21

### Holiday Markets

(Moselle and Rhine rivers cruise)

Nov. 25 – Dec. 6

### For more information:

Contact Kelli (Williams) Page '87

866.575.7229 (toll-free)

kpage@pacific.edu

## Supporting true Pacificans

*The Morrison C. England Jr.*

*Endowed Scholarship*

He's been a football player and coach, a major in the Army Judge Advocate General's service, a state and federal judge, a university regent and philanthropist. Any of these achievements would be impressive, but Morrison C. England Jr. '77, '83 has done them all.

With England's nearly decade-long service on the university's Board of Regents recently coming to a close, fellow Regent Noël Ferris and her husband, Parker White, decided to honor his years of hard work, service and love for Pacific by establishing the **Morrison C. England Jr. Endowed Scholarship.**

The England Scholarship will be given to students who show the same dedication to service, humanism and true love for Pacific as Judge England.

Your gift to the Morrison C. England Jr. Endowed Scholarship will not only honor the judge's legacy but be **matched dollar for dollar by the Powell Match.**

*Support the next generation of true Pacificans.*

**Contact 209.946.2500 or visit [go.Pacific.edu/EnglandScholarship](http://go.Pacific.edu/EnglandScholarship)**

# Distinguished Pacificans Honoring

Distinguished Alumni Award honorees (l. to r.)

Paul Fairbrook; Morrison C. England Jr. '77 COP, '83 LAW; Connie X. Rishwain '79 COP; Ronald B. Robie '67 LAW; and Chan family members: Virginia Chan '77 PHS; Tony Chan '77 PHS; Bradley Igarashi; Jonathan Chan '09 PHS; Megan Chan '13 PHS; Annie (Chan) Igarashi '83 PHS; Stanley Chew '77, '79 PHS; Elizabeth Chang '12 PHS; Joy Chang (Yong) '92 PHS

Not pictured: King "Jimmy" Law '82 PHS; Lasie Yong '88 PHS; Richard Yong '92 PHS; Doris Chew '07 COP; Betty Chew '11 COP; '15 PHS



On Jan. 30, the Pacific Alumni Association recognized four individuals and an outstanding family at the 2016 Distinguished Alumni Awards ceremony and dinner.

These awards recognize alumni whose outstanding achievements and services to humanity have brought credit to the university. The association also inducted a dedicated Pacifican as an honorary alumnus.

## Morrison C. England Jr. '77 COP, '83 LAW *Medallion of Excellence*

The Honorable Morrison C. England Jr. is chief judge of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of California. He was elevated to the federal court in 2002 following his nomination by President George W. Bush. A former Pacific football player, he had a tryout with the New York Jets and was an assistant college football coach while he was a law student. Prior to his nomination to the federal bench, England was a partner in a general practice law firm for 13 years and served on the Sacramento Municipal Court and the Sacramento Superior Court. From 1988 to 2002, he served in the U.S. Army Reserve, holding the rank of major. England has been actively involved at Pacific over the years, including serving three terms on the Board of Regents.

## Constance X. Rishwain '79 COP *Distinguished Professional Service Award*

Connie (Xantopoulos) Rishwain served as the president of UGG Australia from 2002 to 2015. She led the brand's growth from a niche surfer boot to an award-winning, must-have lifestyle footwear brand sported by celebrities and featured on "Oprah's Favorite Things." She was also group president of Deckers Lifestyle Brands, a past president of the company's Simple division and an executive officer of the publicly held Deckers Brands for over 20 years. Rishwain has been elected to serve on the Pacific Board of Regents beginning July 2016.

## Ronald B. Robie '67 LAW *Distinguished Public Service Award*

The Honorable Ronald B. Robie is an associate justice of the California 3rd District Court of Appeal and the longest-serving adjunct professor at the McGeorge School of Law, where he has taught water law courses and environmental law since 1970. While a student in the 1960s, he drafted significant legislation as a consultant to the Assembly Committee on Water and later became the director of the state Department of Water Resources. Robie has served on the Court of Appeal since January 2002. Previously he was a judge on both the Superior and Municipal Courts of Sacramento County and was presiding judge of the Superior Court.

## Paul Fairbrook *Honorary Alumni Award*

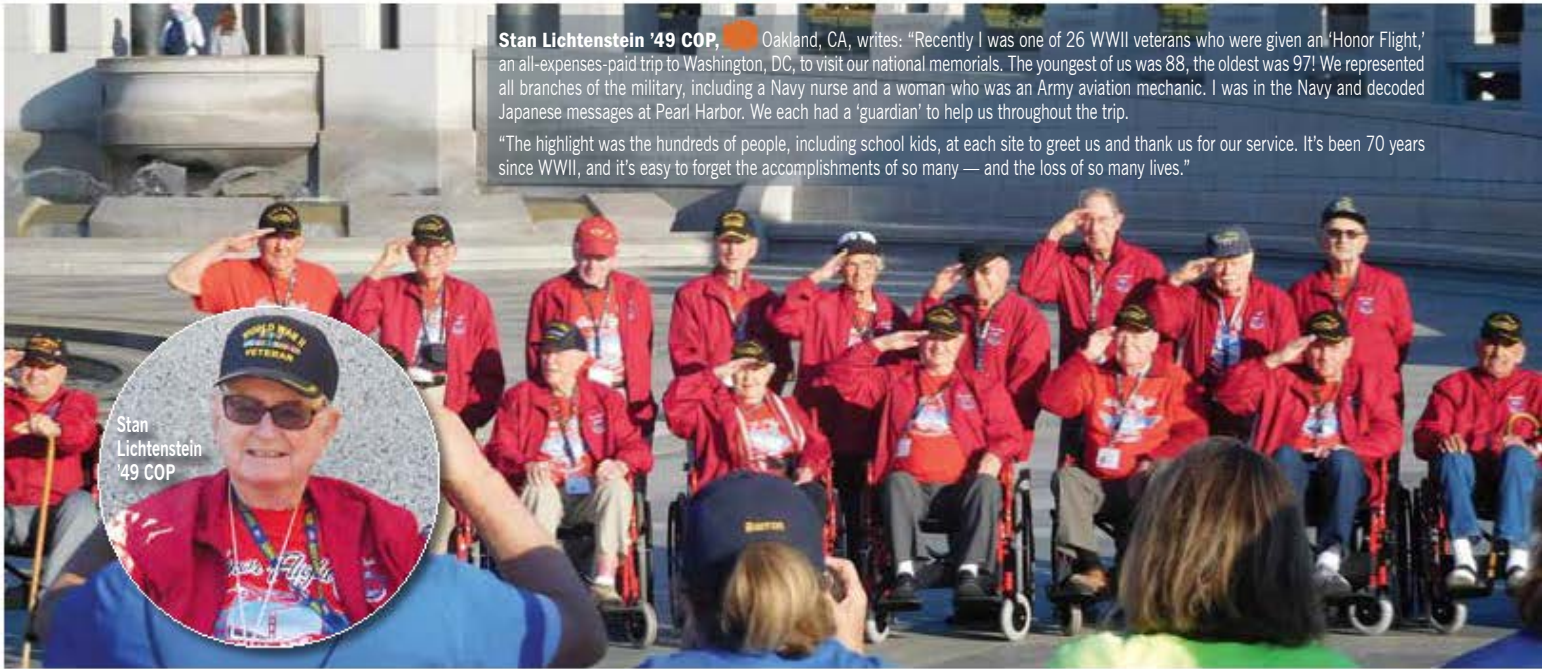
Paul Fairbrook came to Pacific in 1965 and directed food service operations for 19 years. Fairbrook took an innovative approach to food service, including introducing steak nights, enlisting international students to develop authentic meals from their countries and working with Hawaiian students to put on an authentic luau. Through his consulting firm, he worked with the 1967 World's Fair in Montreal, the U.S. Department of Defense, and colleges and universities across the U.S. and abroad. He served four years as commissioner of the Port of Stockton, wrote several books and won numerous national food service awards. Since his retirement in 1985, he has continued to be active in the Pacific Emeriti Society.

## The Chan Family *Outstanding Family Award*

The Chan family, for whom the Chan Family Health Sciences Learning Center and Clinics and Chan Family Hall on the Stockton campus are named, have been generous benefactors of Pacific. Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences 1977 graduates Drs. Tony and Virginia (Chang) Chan were the first of their family to attend Pacific. Since then, both of their children and 11 siblings, nieces, nephews, cousins and spouses of those family members have also become Pacific graduates. (See a complete list of Chan family alumni above.) The family now operates many private practice pharmacies in Southern California, serving several thousand patients each year. Their generosity as students, alumni, parents and regents has established scholarships and enhanced university facilities, student success and program offerings.



# CLASS NOTES



**Stan Lichtenstein '49 COP**, Oakland, CA, writes: "Recently I was one of 26 WWII veterans who were given an 'Honor Flight,' an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, DC, to visit our national memorials. The youngest of us was 88, the oldest was 97! We represented all branches of the military, including a Navy nurse and a woman who was an Army aviation mechanic. I was in the Navy and decoded Japanese messages at Pearl Harbor. We each had a 'guardian' to help us throughout the trip.

"The highlight was the hundreds of people, including school kids, at each site to greet us and thank us for our service. It's been 70 years since WWII, and it's easy to forget the accomplishments of so many — and the loss of so many lives."

Stan Lichtenstein '49 COP

**50s Martha (McGrouther) Eddleman '58 COP**, Livermore, CA, and her daughter co-wrote the e-book *No Need to Wait*. The story follows the antics of Nina Tait and Elizabeth Shepherd, who move into an upscale retirement community and become embroiled in solving an unfolding mystery. The book is available on Smashwords.com, Apple's iBooks.com, Barnes & Noble and Kobo.

**60s Shirley (Sweeney) King '60 COP**, Elk Grove, CA, has created and distributed thousands of handmade blankets to individuals and organizations helping children faced with poverty, illness and natural disaster through the nonprofit she founded, Gramma's Hugs International.

**Ron Ranson '63 COP**, Leucadia, CA, and his wife, Nicola, spent the month of November 2015 in India and Sri Lanka visiting Hindu and Buddhist sites, along with

tracking elephants and looking for the ultimate chicken curry. Ron's son, Andrew, lives and works in Chennai (formerly Madras – where the shirts come from). Because of a mix-up in hotel reservations one night, Ron and Nicola were accommodated at the home of a hotel owner and were able to witness a lifestyle fit for maharajas in the 40-room palace.

**70s Ted Leland '70, '74 COP**, Stockton, CA, has been inducted into the Stockton Athletic Hall of Fame. This is his eighth hall of fame induction. He currently serves as Pacific's athletic director.

**Scott Liggett '71 MUS**, La Crescenta, CA, is now a music producer for all of Chelsea Handler's Netflix productions, as well as her four-part documentary series that began airing in January, and a 90-episode talk show that begins shooting in April 2016.



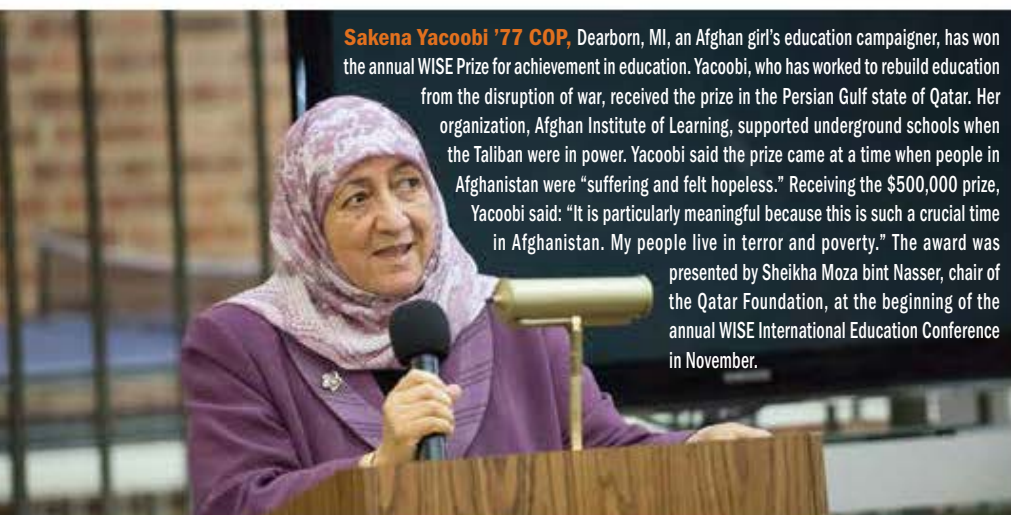
Bob Janis '73 PHS



Ron Ranson '63 COP, and wife, Nicola

**Bob Janis '73 PHS**, Malibu, CA, has been coaching the Malibu Masters, an adult swim team made up of fitness swimmers, lifeguards, former college swimmers and triathletes, since retiring in 2009 from his 34-year career as an L.A. County lifeguard.

**Maryann Cox-Martin '74 COP**, Stockton, CA, was selected for a Susan B. Anthony Award honoring San Joaquin County Women of Achievement for her work with the Lodi American Association of University Women.



**Sakena Yacoobi '77 COP**, Dearborn, MI, an Afghan girl's education campaigner, has won the annual WISE Prize for achievement in education. Yacoobi, who has worked to rebuild education from the disruption of war, received the prize in the Persian Gulf state of Qatar. Her organization, Afghan Institute of Learning, supported underground schools when the Taliban was in power. Yacoobi said the prize came at a time when people in Afghanistan were "suffering and felt hopeless." Receiving the \$500,000 prize, Yacoobi said: "It is particularly meaningful because this is such a crucial time in Afghanistan. My people live in terror and poverty." The award was presented by Sheikh Moza bint Nasser, chair of the Qatar Foundation, at the beginning of the annual WISE International Education Conference in November.



Members of the Class of 1968 gathered for a mini-reunion in Mendocino, CA. They've also met in Texas, Idaho, Northern California and Southern California since graduating from Pacific. Pictured: **Charyl (Woodward) Butterworth, ENG; George Belhumeur, ENG; Bill Agler, BUS; Marti (Gillis) Agler, COP; Jack Patton, ENG; Francine (Crane) Selim, COP; Ron Selim, COP.**



# CLASS NOTES



**Patrick McDowell '81**, former *Pacifican* editor and current Southeast Asia bureau chief for the *Wall Street Journal*, spoke on the Stockton Campus on Feb. 4 on China-U.S. relations. Joining him for a panel discussion with communication students the following day were fellow *Pacifican* alumni Sue Keenom '80, senior vice president of state associations and board relations at the National Association of Broadcasters; Tim Ryan '80, CEO of Phoenix Solar; and Bay Area wine consultant Ken Wornick '80. They also toured the campus, visited old haunts, and reminisced about college days and working on *The Pacifican*.

**Gary DiGrazia '74 LAW**, Elko, NV, recalled his time in Saigon acting as an adviser to the Republic of Vietnam in an article in the *Elko Daily Free Press*.

**Marlene (Shultz) Camacho '75 MUS**, Watsonville, CA, has been a music educator for 35 years, serving in many capacities as a middle and elementary school band, orchestra and choral director. She is currently teaching music to elementary students in the Pajaro Valley Unified School District. She is the mother of three grown sons and two grandsons, ages 3 and 1.

**Robert Rosenthal '75 LAW**, Monterey, CA, is a founding partner of Bohnen, Rosenthal & Kreeft in Monterey, which recently merged with L+G, LLP Attorneys at Law of Salinas to create one of the largest law firms in Monterey County. During Rosenthal's 40 years of practicing law, he has tried over 150 court and jury trials in courts throughout California. He has represented prominent clients including the San Francisco 49ers, the local mayor and school superintendents, real estate developers, attorneys, physicians and professional athletes.

**Cindy (Cummings) Ertman '79 COP**, Manhattan Beach, CA, was named one of the "Top 100 Most Influential Mortgage Executives in America" by *Mortgage Executive* magazine for the third year in a row and just reached Amazon Best-Selling Author status as a co-author of *Soul of Success* Vol. 2, with her mentor and friend Jack Canfield, an internationally recognized leader in personal development. She is the founder of The Defining Difference, a coaching and training company that is changing the perception of what it means to be successful.

**80s** **Chis Isaak '80 CAL**, released the new CD *First Comes the Night* on Nov. 13.

**Dale Sumersille '81 COP**, Davis, CA, is the new director for the Parks and Community Services Department for the city of Davis. She is a veteran in parks and recreation and has led departments in Ojai, Isla Vista and Agoura Hills, CA.

**Steven Sanders '83 LAW**, Hollister, CA, sings doo-wop with the Hollister Flashbacks group in addition to serving as a judge for the San Benito County Superior Court and a professor of law at Monterey College.

**José Hernández '85 ENG**, Manteca, CA, has been named a 2015 Distinguished Alumnus at the University of California, Santa Barbara, for his achievements in going from migrant farmworker to astronaut.

**Jim Kee '85 ENG**, Greenville, SC, has joined Paxton Access Inc. as director of operations.

**Donna Valentine '85 BUS**, Mission Viejo, CA, founded SHEafter-Surviving Happily Ever After, a resource that provides comprehensive survivorship care with holistic counseling and care plans to help breast cancer survivors alleviate their fears by taking control of their lives, monitoring their physical and emotional health and building habits to create a healthier, happier person.

**Brad Loos '86 COP, EDU**, San Jose, CA, was awarded U.S. Patent No. 9,145,538 for wine fermentation techniques. He also earned a Winnovation Award from the *North Bay Business Journal*, which "recognizes problem-solvers whose ingenuity has helped the wine industry operate more efficiently, effectively and responsively." Loos Family Winery, LLC celebrates its 10th anniversary this year.

**La Nor (Miller) Smith '86, '87 COP**, Livermore, CA, met her pen pal, Heather Downey from Australia, after 38 years. The original pairing was thanks to a middle school teacher wanting to pair his students with students in other nations to learn to speak Spanish.

**Cynthia "Cy" Hill '87 BUS**, Golden, CO, and **Laurel (Siewert) Meath '87 COP**, England, traveled to Italy together.

**Patricia Curtin '87 LAW**, Oakland, CA, was honored as a 2015 Northern California Real Estate Woman of Influence. A member of Wendel Rosen's three-person management committee, Curtin's emphasis is on land use and local government law, representing both private and public sector clients. Curtin works with landowners and developers of commercial, industrial, residential and agricultural property. She represents several public agencies as special land use counsel and is general counsel to 12 Geologic Hazard Abatement Districts. Curtin lectures and writes extensively in the areas of land use and local government law and is a co-author of a national publication, *State and Local Government Land Use Liability*, which she updates annually.



Robert Rosenthal '75 LAW (front left)



Laurel (Siewert) Meath '87 COP, and Cynthia "Cy" Hill '87 BUS



Donna Valentine '85 BUS



CHRIS ISAAK  
FIRST COMES THE NIGHT



Cindy (Cummings) Ertman '79 COP



**Kacee Clanton '87 COP**, Pasadena, CA, returned to The Pasadena Playhouse for the world premiere musical *Breaking Through*, following her acclaimed performance in last summer's *A Night with Janis Joplin*, which she also performed on Broadway.

**90s** Archania Fraternity members and Belles gathered in Newport Beach Jan. 14.

**Kendis Muscheid '91 LAW**, Phoenix, AZ, joined Ballard Spahr LLP as a partner. She focuses her practice on representation of nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations, charitable trusts, and issues involving Arizona taxation.

**Alan Peterson '91 EDU**, Hilmar, CA, has been selected as the superintendent of Merced Union High School District.



Kendis Muscheid '91 LAW



Chris Murphy '00 DEN



Melissa Montgomery '01, '05 COP



Will Koett '01 DEN



Archania Fraternity members and Belles



Walter Katz '92 LAW



**Matt de la Peña '96 COP**, Brooklyn, NY, recently received the 2016 Newbery Award, the top U.S. prize in children's literature, for his children's picture book *Last Stop on Market Street*. De la Peña is the first Hispanic author to be awarded the Newbery Medal. The book was recently featured on NPR's Morning Edition and was ranked No. 7 on *The New York Times* Bestsellers - Children's Picture Books list for the week of March 1, 2015.

**Scott Holman '91 COP**, Murrieta, CA, has joined All Star Physical Therapy's Temecula clinic as physical therapist and codirector. He has served as an adjunct faculty member at the University of St. Augustine Doctor of Physical Therapy program in San Marcos since 2010, and was a physical therapist at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City.

**Mehrdad Fay '92 DEN**, Pelham, NY, the renowned dental implant specialist, has joined the celebrity cosmetic dentistry practice New York Cosmetic and General Dentistry in New York City.

**Heather Cox '92 COP**, Boise, ID, a reporter with ESPN, scored "the interview of the season" with Coach Dabo Swinney after Clemson's victory over Notre Dame in October.

**Del Demps '92 BUS**, New Orleans, LA, has been the general manager for the New Orleans Pelicans since 2010.

**Walter Katz '92 LAW**, Los Angeles, CA, is a Los Angeles attorney whose work as a police watchdog has gained him a foothold in the national police accountability movement. He has been named San Jose's new independent police auditor.

**Daniel Rubinstein '93 COP**, Grand Junction, CO, has been appointed by Gov. John Hickenlooper as district attorney for the 21st Judicial District, which includes Mesa County, CO. Rubinstein has served as the chief deputy district attorney in the 21st district since 2005, as well as deputy district attorney from 1996 to 2002.

**John Ferguson '94 MUS**, Brookline, MA, works for Brookline Public Schools, where he teaches string instruments and conducts the Brookline Youth Orchestra. Ferguson has performed solo recitals in major cities throughout the U.S. He performed a program of piano works at the Brookline Public Library in December. He is an active chamber musician in the Boston area and has appeared as an orchestral soloist with the Melrose Symphony Orchestra, the North Shore Philharmonic, Atlantic Union College Orchestra and Mozart Society Orchestra at Harvard University.

**Lorraine Paskett '95 LAW**, La Cañada-Flintridge, CA, was selected as a member of the board of directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California in December. Paskett is the founder and CEO of Cambridge LCF Group, a La Cañada Flintridge-based energy consulting firm formed in 2012 that focuses on climate change policies, new energy technologies and emerging markets. She also owns and manages Lavette Properties and Paskett Winery.

**Ned L. Nix '95 EDU**, completed his master's in dental education in December at the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education.

**Bobby Peters '96 COP**, Hanford, CA, was promoted to director of educational services at Hanford Joint Union High School District.

**Carla (Hagen) Piper '99 EDU**, Modesto, CA, is a musician, composer, voice of animated cartoon characters, elementary and junior high school teacher, college professor, and expert in Renaissance and other early music. Among her best-known jingles: a version of "You Deserve a Break Today" for McDonald's.

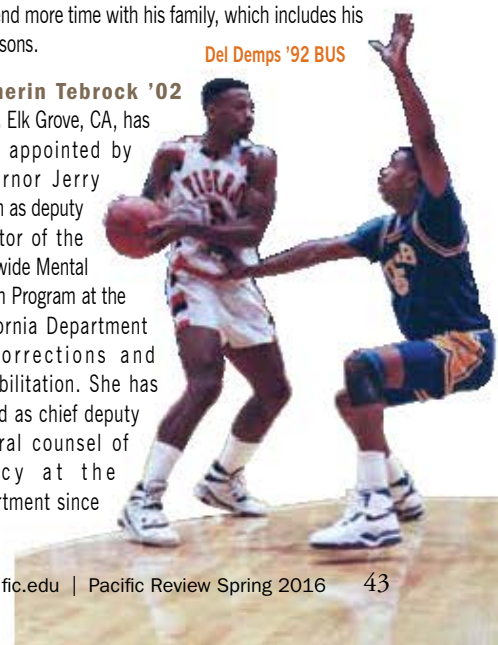
**00s** **Chris Murphy '00 DEN**, Scottsdale, AZ, is the founder of Murphy Orthodontics in Phoenix and Goodyear, AZ. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics and a recognized specialist at the Kois Center. Murphy is an active member of several prestigious dental associations, including the American Association of Orthodontists, the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists and the American Dental Association.

**Melissa Montgomery '01, '05 COP**, Buena Park, CA, is a new Kinesiology Department faculty member at Cal State Fullerton. Previously, Montgomery taught at Cal State Northridge and was an athletic trainer for the women's semi-professional soccer team, California Storm.

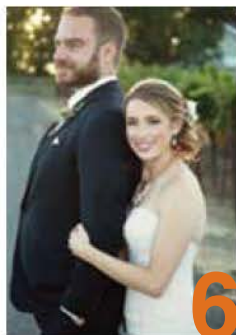
**Will Koett '01 DEN**, Folsom, CA, has joined the Sacramento Dentistry Group. Koett comes from a family of physicians and dentists, and selected a career in dentistry to spend more time with his family, which includes his three sons.

**Del Demps '92 BUS**

**Katherin Tebrock '02 LAW**, Elk Grove, CA, has been appointed by Governor Jerry Brown as deputy director of the Statewide Mental Health Program at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. She has served as chief deputy general counsel of policy at the department since 2007.







## What's New?

Send your class note and photo to [classnotes@pacific.edu](mailto:classnotes@pacific.edu) or mail to Pacific Alumni Association, 3601 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95211.

Send us your baby's name and birth date and get your "Future Tiger" baby bib.



## Matches

**Kimi Kan '06 DEN** and Jeff Rohrer, 8/14/14, Kauai, HI — **1**

**Colby Livingston '09 COP, '12 DEN** and **Connor Halberg '11 ENG**, 05/09/15, Costa Mesa, CA — **2**

**Allie Vetterlein '13 BUS** and **Tom Koning '12 BUS**, 8/8/15, Stockton, CA — **3**

**Sarah Vinall '05, '08 COP** and **Dragan Bakić '08, '09 BUS**, 6/21/13, Split, Croatia — **4**

**Kristin Carido '07 COP** and Benny Lopez, 10/10/15, Lodi, CA — **5**

**Stephanie Moniz '09 DEN** and Joe Sorbo, 09/05/15, Sebastopol, CA — **6**

**Antoinette Dinh '13 PHS** and **Daniel Lieu '13 PHS**, 08/01/15, San Diego, CA — **7**

## Tiger Cubs

**Rachel (Leith) McKinney '04, '05 EDU** and **Adam McKinney '04 BUS**, a daughter, Leah Eleanor, 10/08/15, welcomed by brother Connor, Culver City, CA — **8**

**Crystal (Jennings) Goldberg '07 EDU** and **Brendon Goldberg**, a daughter, Brenna Rae, 01/02/15, welcomed by big brother Kysen, Lodi, CA — **9**

**Cyndy Nguyen '12 COP** and Brent Fuchigami, a son, Gavin, 01/21/16, Poway, CA — **10**

**Danielle (Mondo) Tibon '10 BUS**, a son, Lucas Christopher, 08/29/15, Lodi, CA — **11**

**Jennifer (Murphy) Whitaker '05 COP** and Rob Whitaker, a daughter, Aurora "Rory" Everleigh, 7/9/15, Culver City, CA — **12**

**Brandice (Goertzen) '07 COP, '11 PHS** and **Adam Morisoli '10 PHS**, a daughter, Kayton Ryann, 7/12/15, Carlsbad, CA — **13**

**Dina Dajani '98, '99 COP** and Vishal Manghnani, a daughter, Reema Sharlene, 11/8/15, Switzerland — **14**

**Maria (Kerr) Sears '04 BUS** and John Sears, a boy, Samuel Scott, 10/12/15, welcomed by sister Adrienne and brother Jack, Urbandale, IA — **15**

**Carol Landau Mendoza '01 MUS** and husband, Mario Mendoza, are expecting their first child in February, a daughter who they will name Gwen Ann Mendoza, Whittier, CA — **16**

**Bridgette (Mason) Paravati '07 COP, '10 PHS** and Michael Paravati, twin daughters, Giuliana and Isabella, 9/2/15, Redwood City, CA — **17**


**Sarah (Vinall) Bakić '05, '08 COP** and **Dragan Bakić '08, '09 BUS**, a boy, Nikola George, 03/15/15, Stockton, CA — **18**

**Sarah (Chesteen) Danielson '11 LAW** and Jonathan Danielson, a son, Waylon James, 9/11/15, Scottsdale, AZ — **19**

**Justin Lee '04 LAW**, a son, Jordan, 08/23/13, San Francisco, CA


**Amie (Adams) Mendes '02 BUS**, Manteca, CA, has been hired as a part-time economic development manager for the City of Galt.


**Tom Cockle '04 BUS**, Springfield, NE, has been promoted to senior vice president of the construction division of UNICO Group in Lincoln, NE.

**Mary (Eilers) Fielding '04 COP**,  Livermore, CA, has been busy since graduation from Pacific. She earned her teaching credential and is a teacher at Joe Michell Elementary School in Livermore. She has acted in several productions in the Bay Area including the Livermore Shakespeare Festival, started a family with firefighter husband Jeff and had two boys, and co-founded a Shakespeare literacy program that recently expanded to all 37 second-grade classrooms of the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District. That program and Fielding's leadership were officially recognized by the LVJUSD Board of Trustees at their January meeting.


**Jesse Barrett '07 MUS**, San Francisco, CA, has accepted a position with the Santa Rosa Symphony, playing second oboe and English horn. He also plays with the Merced Symphony, the Reno Chamber Orchestra and the Symphony of Napa Valley.

**Kristofer Brock '07 PHS**, Pomona, CA, recently joined the faculty as an assistant professor of human communication studies at California State University, Fullerton.

**Jorge Ramirez-Martinez '08 COP**,  Stockton, CA, was one of 10 writers selected from around the world for the National Hispanic Media Coalition Television Writers Program. During the intensive five-week program, he worked with Geoff Harris, the former NBC vice president of script development, to write a pilot for a television series.

**Jamie Watson '08 LAW**,  Napa, CA, is a partner at the Napa-based wine industry and estate planning law firm Gaw Van Male. He recently completed certification in estate planning, trust and probate law. Watson was named partner at the firm earlier this year.

**Max Vargas '09 COP**, Stockton, CA, is the communications and external relations manager at the San Joaquin Regional Transit District, as well as a student at McGeorge School of Law and a member of the Pacific Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**10s Steve Hansen '11 LAW**,  Sacramento, CA, has been hired as director of capital initiatives for McGeorge School of Law. The Sacramento city councilman will work to boost employment opportunities at the capital for students in public policy and government-related fields.

**Shelby Lewis '12 BUS**, Porterville, CA, was a dancer in the 10th annual Sierra View Foundation "Dancing with the Sierra View Stars" gala. She is also part of the team at First Allied Securities, a financial services business in Porterville.

**Yvonne Mai '13 PHS**, Stockton, CA, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, presented "Frequency and Severity of Medication Related Problems Identified in Community-Dwelling Medicare Beneficiaries: Three-Year Analyses of Mobile Clinic Data" at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting in Chicago on Nov. 2. Co-authors were **Christine Cao '16**, **Tina Kwan '16**, **Patrick Lee '16**, **Joshua Tai '16**, and **Cynthia S. Valle-Oseguera**, assistant professor of pharmacy practice, and **Rajul A. Patel '01, '06**, associate professor of pharmacy practice.

**Dustin Torchio '14 COP**,  Santa Cruz, CA, has been named head coach of the Santa Cruz High School Cardinals baseball team.

**Mike Walker '15 COP**, Marysville, CA, has been named manager of the Marysville Gold Sox baseball team.

**Frank Arburua '15 BUS**, Tracy, CA, is a sheep rancher and vice president of operations at Frank's Basque Family Farm, which raises Rambouillet ewes crossed with Suffolk rams. Arburua won the 2015 San Joaquin Entrepreneur Challenge and \$22,500 for his business plan to raise free-range rabbits.

**Mitch Holtkamp '15 PHS**, **Scott Warner '15 PHS** and **Brianna Hitman '14 PHS**, Sebastopol, CA, co-authored the poster presentation "Exercise-based work injury prevention programs: what's the evidence?" which they presented at the 2015 Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association in Indianapolis.



# CLASS NOTES

## In Memoriam

**Robert Bacigalupi '44 DEN**, 9/17/15, Napa, CA.

**Van Thomas Sweet '48 EDU**, 10/28/15, Stockton, CA, was hired to coach at Stockton College on the Pacific campus after his discharge from the Navy in 1946. His teams qualified twice for national tournaments. He coached many different sports at Delta College and retired from full-time work in 1983. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, **Kay (Powell) Sweet '48 EDU**, daughters **Nancy Sweet '74 LAW** and Christy Hooper, son-in-law Tom Hooper, and granddaughters Molly and **Betsy Hooper '03 COP**.

**Lucille (Graham) Beasley '49 MUS**, 10/5/15, Santa Barbara, CA. Beasley was a church organist, teacher, professional accompanist and concert artist for 55 years in Santa Barbara. She taught for 29 years at Westmont College.

**Martin Marquardt '50 EDU**, 6/30/15, Castro Valley, CA.

**Van Torrence Sweet '52 COP**, 10/31/15, Merced, CA, joined his wife Carolyn exactly two years after her passing, with family by his side. Born in Stockton, CA, on Aug. 18, 1931, he was raised across the street from the College of the Pacific, which he later attended and where he met Carolyn Stevens. Two weeks after their graduation in 1952, Van and Carolyn were married. They loved to travel and completed over 85 cruises and traveled all over the U.S. and most of the world. Sweet loved to sing and participate in community theater groups. He is survived by his four children, eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Marjorie (Plumley) Lipsky '54 COP**, 5/3/13, Modesto, CA. Pacific and the Epsilon Lambda Sigma sorority were always a big part of Margie's life. She met her husband, **Garth Lipsky '52**, at COP in 1950, and they were married in 1952. She was honored as "Omega Phi Girl" of 1952. Margie remained active in the Stanislaus Alumni Pacific Club organization throughout the years and cherished the many lifelong friendships she made during her time at Pacific. She is survived by her daughter, **Dana '88 COP**.

**Eugene Joseph Garibaldi '55 COP**, 11/20/15,



Bakersfield, CA, was born and raised in Stockton. As a young man, he worked at the concessions at Pacific football games during the Eddie LeBaron years, saving to pay for his education at Pacific. After graduating and earning his teaching credential, he taught 5th and 6th grades in McKittrick and later moved with his wife Joan to Bakersfield, where he continued to teach, first in Arvin and then at Lakeside Elementary in Bakersfield, for the next 39 years. He retired in 1998, having been named Teacher of the Year in 1997. He was very active in his Catholic faith and volunteering for his children's school. His efforts both in volunteering and fundraising were recognized on numerous occasions by both the school and church. He was proud of his Italian heritage and of his family and their accomplishments. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Joan, his son **Mark Garibaldi '88 LAW**, his three daughters, six grandchildren and their families, as well as extended family, friends and former colleagues.

**Royanne (Fefley) Gwynn '56 COP**, 1/6/15, Piedmont, CA.

**Harold Kelley '59 ENG**, 7/18/15, Rowland Heights, CA.

**Bob Laddish '60 COP**, 9/24/15, Santa Rosa, CA. Laddish, a member of Archania Fraternity, was president of the Arts Council of Sutter and Yuba Counties while working in banking in Marysville. He was happy in retirement in his cozy home in Mendocino, CA. He is survived by four children.

**Juan Martin '69 ECC**, 11/30/15, Woodland Hills, CA.

**Leslie (Spradling) Ringler '74 COP**, 11/4/15, Hanford, CA.

**Francine Krug '77 LAW**, 7/21/15, Sacramento, CA.

**Mary Ann Ware '80 EDU**, 8/19/15, Stockton, CA.

**Mary (Acquisto) Krosner '82 EDU**, 8/11/14, Nevada City, CA.

**Sara (Budinger) Peterson '83 EDU**, 10/23/15, Sacramento, CA.

**Dennis Herbert Keller '85 LAW**, 12/28/15, Auburn, CA.

**Megan Rexroad '15 COP**, 10/1/2015, Long Beach, CA. Rexroad passed away in a traffic accident in Long Beach. While at Pacific, she excelled on the speech and debate team and was vice president of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) chapter. She is survived by her parents, **Craig Rexroad '87 COP** and Mary-Ann Rexroad, and sister Hayden.



**William Dominik**  
emeritus professor,  
Conservatory of Music  
1925–2015

William Carl Dominik taught clarinet and chamber music at Pacific for 28 years. He passed away Nov. 6, 2015, at the age of 90.

A native of Lansing, Michigan, Dominik was born June 12, 1925, the youngest of three children to Moravian immigrants. Music was a part of his life from an early age.

After serving in the U.S. Army during World War II, he resumed his studies, earning a bachelor's degree in music at Michigan State College and master's and doctoral degrees in music at the University of Southern California.

Before joining the faculty of the Conservatory of Music in 1967, he taught at several universities, including the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, and appeared in orchestras and as a soloist, clinician and adjudicator. At Pacific, he taught clarinet and chamber music and performed with the Pacific Arts Woodwind Quintet. He was active on numerous conservatory and campus-wide committees. Upon his retirement in 1995, he received the Order of the Pacific, the university's highest honor.

He was active in many professional and fraternal organizations, including Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Tau Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Kappa Lambda, the Music Educators National Conference and the International Clarinet Society, for which he served as the California State Chair for many years.

He is survived by a son and daughter, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.





**Kaye Dugoni,**  
wife of emeritus Dean  
Arthur A. Dugoni '48

1926–2015

Katherine “Kaye” Agnes (Groo) Dugoni died peacefully at her home in Palo Alto surrounded by family on Dec. 3, 2015, at the age of 89. Born in Montpelier, Idaho, she

moved as a child with her family to Spokane, WA, where she met the love of her life, Arthur A. Dugoni, in 1943. The two were married in 1949.

They raised their family in San Mateo while Art built his dental practice after graduating from what is now University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. They moved to Seattle while Art studied to become an orthodontist and then returned to the Bay Area, eventually settling in Palo Alto.

Kaye Dugoni was the matriarch of four generations and lived for her family, her Catholic faith and her community. She was a life master in duplicate bridge and volunteered many hours of service to her children’s schools, her church and the Dugoni School of Dentistry, where her husband served as dean for 28 years until 2006.

A committed Pacific family, the Dugonis were honored as an Outstanding Family in 2010 by the Pacific Alumni Association at its Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony. Art and Kaye Dugoni and their family have sponsored numerous endowments and scholarships at the dental school, including the Arthur A. Dugoni Endowed Professorship in Orthodontics, the Arthur and Katherine Dugoni Endowed Student Scholarship and the Kaye Dugoni Family Room, which was funded by family and friends and named in her honor at the new dental school campus in San Francisco. Kaye Dugoni was awarded the Medallion of Distinction by the school’s Alumni Association in 1998 for outstanding contributions to the Dugoni School and the profession.

More than a dozen family members have earned undergraduate or graduate degrees at Pacific. She leaves behind her husband of 66 years, **Arthur A. Dugoni '48 DEN**, her sister, seven children, 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Donations may be made in her memory to the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus & Mary in Spokane, or to the Arthur and Katherine Dugoni Endowed Student Scholarship at the Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry.



**Kaye and Art Dugoni** at the dedication of the  
Kaye Dugoni Family Room



**Walter Baun '53,**  
former regent

1930–2016

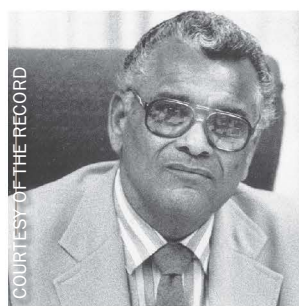
Walter Allen Baun '53, a former Pacific regent for more than 20 years and an 1851 Society member, died on Jan. 19 at the age of 85.

As a Pacific student, Baun was a member of the men’s tennis and water polo teams and the Omega Phi Alpha Fraternity while earning his bachelor’s degree in engineering.

He went on to serve his country as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy from 1953 to 1957. He continued to live a life marked by leadership and service through his philanthropy, service on Pacific’s Board of Regents and extensive involvement in the Pacific community, which included leadership roles in the Pacific Alumni Association and years of service on the School of Engineering and Computer Science Dean’s Council. In 1992, Pacific Athletics recognized him with the Amos Alonzo Stagg Award, which is given to former Pacific athletes who have achieved distinction in their professional lives through the notable examples of integrity, dedication, idealism and team spirit.

The Baun family has maintained a meaningful and close relationship with Pacific over the years with more than a dozen family members connected to the university, including his parents, **Ted Baun '27** and **Alice Baun '27**, with his father having served as a member of the Board of Regents for more than 40 years; his children, **Michael Baun '78** and Suzy (Baun) Graves; and his granddaughter, **Jenna Graves '16**.

The family has requested that those who wish may make memorial gifts to St. Mary’s Anglican Church in Fresno, or to University of Pacific at [Pacific.edu/MakeAGift](http://Pacific.edu/MakeAGift).



**Floyd Herbert Weaver**  
**'59, '73**

1933–2016

Floyd Herbert Weaver '59, '73 passed away on Jan. 18. Among his many accomplishments, Weaver served eight years on the Stockton City Council and was the city’s vice mayor. He was honored as

Stocktonian of the Year in 1992 for his contributions to the community and received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the NAACP. Fittingly, Weaver died on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. He helped put the civil rights leader’s name on the park across from Stockton City Hall and the former Charter Way, and was active in Ministers and Community United Inc., which sponsors Stockton’s annual Martin Luther King Jr. celebration. He was a Distinguished Alumni Award recipient and a member of the Moose Myers Men, as well as a 2004–05 recipient of the Amos Alonzo Stagg Award of Honor. He was also inducted into the African American Athletes Hall of Fame of Stockton in 1991.

## ON SCHEDULE

### April • May • June

- Apr 7 • Tchobanoglous Water Lecture: "Use of Recycled Oil Field Wastewater for Irrigation of Food Crops"
- Apr 8 • "Living Your Passion" with Noor Tagouri
- Apr 8 • Trio 180
- Apr 13 • University Concert Band
- Apr 16 • Symphonic Wind Ensemble
- Apr 20 • Pacific Jazz Ensemble
- Apr 23 • University Symphony Orchestra
- Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame Induction
- Apr 26 • Pacific Arts Woodwind Quintet
- May 1 • Pacific Choral Ensembles
- May 8 • 85th annual Strawberry Breakfast
- Jun 24–25 • 29th Allyn D. Burke Dental Symposium
- Jun 24–26 • 4th annual Creative Writing Conference

### take 5 Jazz at the Brew

The Brubeck Institute, in collaboration with Valley Brew restaurant, brings a variety of local, regional and national jazz talent to perform at the Take 5 Jazz Club. Learn more at [BrubeckInstitute.org](http://BrubeckInstitute.org).



### May

#### 159th Commencement

Celebrate the accomplishments of our students at Commencement 2016.

[Pacific.edu/Commencement](http://Pacific.edu/Commencement)



## Youth Summer Programs



### Summer Sports and Activity Camps

Pacific Athletics offers skills camps in a variety of sports, as well as swim lessons and other activity programs throughout the summer.

Find out more: [PacificTigers.com/Information/Camps](http://PacificTigers.com/Information/Camps) or 209.946.2472



### 71st Annual Pacific Music Camps

Week-long programs for youth, grades 5 to 12

#### June 12-18

Brubeck Institute Jazz Camp  
Pacific Music Business Camp

#### July 10-16

Junior Band and Orchestra Camp

#### July 17-23

Senior Band, Orchestra, Choir Camp  
Pacific Music Theatre Camp  
Senior Piano Camp  
[go.Pacific.edu/MusicCamp](http://go.Pacific.edu/MusicCamp)

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# The Music Lives On

Irva Rickson Rageth '37 was a musician and teacher who shared her love of music with the communities where she lived and worked.



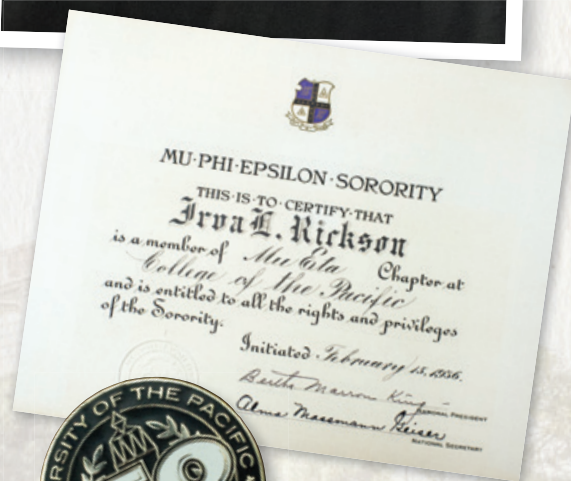
Her life at Pacific and beyond was infused with music. A student of the violin and viola in the Conservatory of Music, she was an active member of Epsilon Lambda Sigma (now Delta Gamma) and the Mu Eta Chapter of Mu Phi Epsilon, a co-ed international professional music fraternity. She also met her future husband Alfred C. Rageth '34, a fellow Conservatory student who shared her passion for music and education.

Both went on to earn teaching credentials from the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education and to rewarding careers as music teachers in the Central Valley. For many years, Irva and Alfred were devoted members of the Pacific Music Camp staff — a community of world-class professional musicians, educators and Conservatory faculty and students dedicated to developing local high school musicians. The pair also ran Rageth Music Store in Stockton for many years. After Alfred's passing in 1966, Irva continued to run the store until her retirement in 1983. She also played the viola in the Stockton Symphony and remained deeply involved in the musical community in Stockton throughout her life.

With Irva's passing in spring 2015, the couple's profound influence on the lives of musicians and the greater community will continue in perpetuity through an extraordinary \$1.4 million estate gift, which established the Alfred & Irva Rageth Endowed Scholarship for undergraduate students in the Conservatory of Music.

Thanks to dedicated musicians, educators and donors like Irva and Alfred, the music will live on for young musicians for years to come.

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# Congratulations Class of 2016

## 159<sup>th</sup> Commencement

### Commencement Ceremonies

Saturday, May 14  
Stockton

Saturday, May 21  
Stockton and Sacramento

Sunday, June 12  
San Francisco

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